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OUTLINES.

New Year's Day was a record breaker for crime in Brooklyn and the police were kept busy——Ten thousand negroes in Mobile, Ala., celebrated Emancipation Day and adopted resolutions endorsing Taft and condemning Lily Whites; they think Hitchcock is a "nice man"——At Pittsburg a Controverter exploded, killing two and injuring thirteen men——The New York Legislature convened yesterday, organized and heard Governor Hughes' message, which recommended a revision of the banking laws and the suppression of race track gambling——Fire is raging at Coal Center, Penn., a mining town, and already damage to the amount of $100,000 has been done——The increase in the amount of coal mined in Alabama in 1907 will be about 1,000,000 tons over that for 1906——Two policemen were shot and killed at Knoxville, Tenn. by Ernest Well, whom they were trying to arrest——A receiver was appointed for the Quinn Furnace Company at Gadsden, Ala.——The fight between Owen Moran, champion of England and Abe Attell, champion of America, for the featherweight championship of the world went the limit of 25 rounds at San Francisco and resulted in a draw President Roosevelt's seventh annual New Year's reception at the White House was a notable event; all the high dignitaries were present as wede also the 400 of Washington's society and the common people——In the United States Circuit Court at Atlanta, Ga., Judge W. P. Newman refused to grant an injunction to prevent Prohibition going into effect pending litigation to test the constitutionality of the law——It is probable that a receiver will be appointed for the affairs of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad. At a late hour last night officials and creditors were in consultation with Judge Pritchard in Richmond.

Many a fellow can't tell you the time, these days. He hung up his watch instead of his stocking the other night.

When New Yorkers could spend a quarter of a million dollars in ushering in the New Year, times must be getting better in Gotham.

However, Mr. Cleveland's word in behalf of Ex-Presidents is timely—one of them in poverty would be a serious reflection on the dignity of the nation.

"Milk remains fresh longer in a shallow basin than if kept in a jug," says Odds and Ends, but the shallow mind will probably continue its adoration of the little brown jug.

It was only a few short years ago that the name of Admiral Dewey was on every tongue. Now he has to have a birthday celebration to remind people that he is still on earth.

Women who write shocking books ought not to expect to be received into polite society. The worst of it is, however, that the snub gives them just what they are really after, the best sort of advertising.

The excuse that a train man can not see the signals because of a fog, is simply no excuse at all for an accident with its attendant loss of human life and destruction of property. He can see the fog and should govern himself accordingly.

Grover Cleveland wants the Government to make some adequate provision for ex-Presidents. That would not be such a serious hardship. At the present time we only think of but one and he is, he says, perfectly able to look out for himself.

Governor John A. Johnson's friends continue to push him right up in the front of the line. Last Sunday's Washington Post contained a three column likeness of the celebrated Governor and a four column sketch of his career as a public man and in public life.

One hundred dollars in new $20 gold pieces are having a hard time of it in Pittsburg. A business man didn't want them, probably because they wouldn't stack well and donated them to a preacher. The divine discovered the absence of the motto; said it was "Godless money" and handed it back. Wonder if he refuses to take paper money and if not, whether he has been able to find the much discussed motto on any of it.

After President Roosevelt's experience in getting to and from his Pine Knot residence we may soon expect a special message recommending an improvement in the country roads of the nation. The distance was only ten miles but it took three hours for the Presidential conveyance to cover it, so bad were the roads, and Mr. Roosevelt and one of his sons were compelled to walk half the way to lighten the load, so that the horses could pull through the mud and mire.

PRETTY RECEPTION

Delightful Affair Given By Woman's Auxiliary Last Night at Y. M. C. A.

HUNDREDS IN ATTENDANCE

Programme of Vocal and Instrumental Music With Serving of Dainty Refreshments—A Success in Every Way.

One of the most enjoyable as well as one of the most elaborate functions of the holiday season in Wilmington was the annual New Year's reception or "open house" given last night at the Young Men's Christian Association by the Woman's Auxiliary of that institution of religious work in the city.

The invitations to the reception were general and several hundred, especially the young people, embraced this opportunity of spending a most pleasant evening and at the same time getting in closer touch with this great work among the young men of Wilmington. The hours of the reception were from 8:30 to 10:30 o'clock and every moment of that time was delightfully spent by all in attendance.

The parlors, assembly hall and all other departments of the handsome building were beautifully decorated with plants and flowers, garlands of smilax having been extended from the sides and corners of the ceiling in each room, converging at the chandeliers where was suspended a merry Christmas bell that gave a beautiful touch of color to the general scheme of holiday greens. On the windows and at other advantageous positions on the walls and in the rooms were wreaths of evergreens with tiny Christmas bells as the center piece. The general scheme of the decorations was pretty indeed and much credit is due for this work to Mrs. L. A. Blue and a corps of young lady assistants, who provided a most attractive background for the really brilliant affair that the reception proved to be.

The ladies of the Auxiliary and the members of the Board of Directors of the Association served as a reception committee and all were made to feel quite at home in the beautiful surroundings. Mrs. C. C. Covington, president of the Auxiliary, was in general charge of the arrangements but in special charge of the respective departments were Mrs. Mitt Moore, refreshments; Mrs. Blue, decorations, and Miss Annie Adrian, entertainment.

The musical programme of the evening was contributed by favorite local musicians and consisted of vocal selection by Mr. L. Jones, Mrs. Jas. D. Longfellow and Miss McIntosh; piano solo by Mrs. A. M. Waddell; violin solo by Mr. J. J. Adkins and quartette singing by Mrs. Longfellow, Mrs. James D. Smith, Mrs. Greene Fenley and Miss Annie Adrian.

Following the more formal part of the exercises, which were in the parlors and library of the building, dainty refreshments were served to the large number of guests in attendance.

All departments of the Association are now in order and the reception so kindly given by the ladies last evening will be a great impetus to the work during the coming year.

HON. H. L. GODWIN HERE

In the District for the Holidays Before Returning to Congress.

The many friends of Hon. H. L. Godwin, Congressman from this district, were delighted to see him in the city yesterday and he was most pleasantly greeted. He is looking remarkably well and talks interestingly of what is being done and what is in prospect at this season of Congress. Those who have followed the course of Mr. Godwin since he has been in Washington know that the interests of the district are safe in his hands. He has already introduced a number of important bills and has others in prospect for the after-holiday session. He is agitating forcibly the question of government drainage, a subject of much interest along the coast where thousands of acres of land await reclamation by systematic effort in this direction. The government has manifested an interest in the reclamation of these lands and Mr. Godwin is following the subject closely. Mr. Godwin will not return to Washington before the opening of the session of Congress, but he is never idle and is conferring with his constituents all over the district as to what is needed and the best means of accomplishing desired ends. Although a new member, he is already taking a prominent part in the affairs of National legislation and will be heard from before his terms are over.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Clayton Giles & Co.—Change.
Crystal Palace—Remember Thursday.
Academy of Music—Williams Comedy Co.

Business Locals.
Smith & Lord—For Rent.

Many a man knows from experience that it is far easier to find a wife than it is to lose her.

HOLIDAY ENTERTAINMENT

Sunday School of Southside Baptist Church Gave Highly Creditable Affair Last Night—Music, and Other Features.

Southside Baptist Sunday School, long noted for the beauty and elaboration of its holiday entertainments, set a new standard for 1908, in the very charming affair given last night in the church auditorium upon which there were in attendance a very large number of young people from all the Southern section of the city.

There was something new and novel and decidedly pretty in the arrangement of the stage to represent a tramp steamer in Christmas dress. This was the handiwork of Mr. John F. Littleton and with the general scheme of decorations so prettily carried out by the young ladies of the congregation it at once gave a distinction to the affair that was pleasing.

The exercises opened with a welcome song by the school followed by prayer by Mr. R. B. Moore, and another song by the school, after which the pupils took up the march to the ante-room and preparations were at once made for the stage appearance of the young people, all of whom acquitted themselves most admirably in the following programme:

Ding Dong song by small members of Sunbeam Class.

Dialogue and Song—Annie Walker, Maggie Simon, Jennie Thomas, and Della Wishart.

Story of the Star—Mrs. Baggett, Mrs. Vann, Mrs. Bender, Miss Devaun, Miss Lelia Willetts, Miss Inez Turner, Miss Ruth Kohler and Miss Mamie Walker.

Reading From Ben Hur—Miss Bevvie Fales.

Missionary Exercises by the Sunbeams.

Colection for Support of Yates Memorial Missionary.

Around the World With Santa Claus—Mr. A. L. Vann, Santa Claus; Wm. Simon, captain; Jessie Batson, Willie Sellars, sailors; Sophie Kohler and Katie Walker, Siberian girls; Lottie Fales and Jennie Thomas, Japanese girls; Miss Simons, Roman girl; Miss Costin, Mrs. Baggett, Spanish girls; Mollie Holton, Maggie Simons, German girls; Miss Turner, Scotch girl; Miss Fannie Holton, English girl; Miss Essie Greenwald, Miss Daisy Spooner, Miss Mattie King, Canadian girls; Miss Gertrude Sykes, Miss Isabel Thomas, American girls; Johnnie Sykes, Uncle Sam; Elmer Costin, Gracie Rasberry, Myra Fales, fairies; Annie Walker and Della Wishart, Belgian girls; Messrs. Baggett, O. J. Vann and D. S. Bender, shepherds.

The latter was a production of some proportions and all the parts were well handled by the young people. Miss Flossie Marshburn played the accompaniment for all the musical numbers and added much in this way to the success of the entertainment.

The reading of Miss Fales, "The Shepherd and the Star," from Ben Hur, greatly added to her reputation as a reciter of splendid talents. All the singing and music was of a very high order.

At the close of the exercises the pasor, Rev. G. A. Martin, led in prayer and made a brief talk thanking the Sunday School for a very handsome roll top desk presented to him for the New Year and Mrs. Jno. F. Littleton for arranging such a delightful holiday entertainment. He called attention to a red and blue contest for increased membership in the school, the contest to begin next Sunday.

Special mention in connection with the entertainment should be made of the leadership of the smaller children by little Miss Elmer Costin. She has twice been seen in the play "Damon and Pythias," arranged on a more pretentious scale and her talent in this respect is unquestioned. During the entertainment last night the effort was made to present each one in attendance some little gift as a reminder of the holiday season and the management of the school hope this effort was successful.

NEW YEAR AT THE SOUTHERN.

Stockholders in Popular Banking Institution Receive Dividends.

All stockholders in the Southern National Bank, if they troubled themselves to get the mail yesterday, had a pleasant reminder of the New Year. This came to them in the form of a check for the regular semi-annual dividend, which was declared by the directors of the Southern at their recent meeting. The Southern has made an exceptionally fine showing since its organization and President M. J. Heyer, Cashier C. N. Evans and their respective staffs have every reason to feel proud of the splendid work they have done not only for the stockholders of the institution but for the general business community as well. Although but a little over two years of age, the bank now has deposits of $1,239,930.77, and a steady increase has been shown from month to month. While the stockholders have been taken care of substantially in a dividend each six months a good amount has been pased to the surplus fund and the New Year finds the "youngster" healthy, happy, wealthy and prosperous.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

Very General Observance Here Yesterday of The Birth of Nineteen Eight.

WEATHER CLEAR AND FINE

General Suspension of Business in City— Tournament on Golf Links. Athletic Events by Crew of Seminole.

Perhaps not before in a decade has there been a more general observance of the New Year holiday in Wilmington than on yesterday. The day was perfect, all public offices and places of business were closed for at least a part of the day and on the streets were merry holiday throngs joining heartily in the spirit of the hour.

The New Year had a noisy inauguration Tuesday midnight and this was kept up intermittently yesterday with the ear-splitting squedunks and the occasional roar of a giant cracker. Many sportsmen betook themselves to the field and forest and the constant cannonading of many guns was heard in all the territory tributary to Wilmington. A special schedule was operated during the day on the suburban line of the Tidewater Power Company and many people availed themselves of the opportunity of taking an outing at the beach and sound where the "luscious bivalves" were to be had and there were numerous other diversions.

In Wilmington the Academy of Music with matinee and night productions of "Along the Kennebec," the Cystal Palace, with its select offering of vaudeville, and the moving picture shows were a source of amusement for those who found time hanging heavy upon their hands. Then on the streets friend met friend and there was the usual exchange of the compliments of the season to say nothing of the quaint and quite popular custom of making New Year calls. The schools, the offices and a large majority of the industrial plants were closed for the day and this brought a great number of people on the streets but so far as the transaction of business was concerned the day had very much the appearance of Sunday.

One of the notable events for the day with a considerable number of people of social prominence was the annual New Year's handicap tournament for gentlemen over twenty-seven holes on the links of the Cape Fear Golf Club. A prettier day for the match could not have been imagined and the players and members of the Club were out in large numbers. The first prize, a very handsome silver cup, offered by the club, was won by Mr. R. H. Gwaltney in a score of 133 scratch. The second prize, also a handsome cup, was won by Mr. John Jay Blair. Play lasted all day from 10 o'clock in the morning and at 1 o'clock an oyster roast and luncheon was served on the grounds. In addition to members of the club, there were a number of visitors and the affair was a delightful success in every respect.

Exercises on the Cutter.

New Year's Day on board the United States Revenue Cutter Seminole was notable for officers and men. The former had many New Year callers from among friends in the city and the men arranged a series of athletic and aquatic sports that proved to be highly interesting. Liutenant W. A. Benham was the commissioned officer in charge and the sports began at the wharf at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The first event was a potato race, which was both amusing and hotly contested. This was won by W. A. Skeen, ordinary seaman; then came a sack race, which was also very amusing and was won by P. Paulsen, ordinary seaman. The three-legged race was one of the best numbers on the programme and in this the honors went to Messrs. Skeen and C. T. Kollenbeek. The egg race was won also by Skeen, who captured a majority of the prize money offered in the day's events.

One of the most interesting and at the same time a profitable exercise for the men was a rope-climbing from the wharf to the forecastle head on a vertical line, hand over hand. This was won by Quartermaster Charlie Berg, who climbed 35 feet, or fifteen feet over his next competitor, A Larsen. This exercise was followed by the always popular tug of war on the wharf. This was between the starboard and port watches and the first named won.

While the men were cooling off from this strenuous form of athletics, the spectators on board the ship and along the wharf were treated to a sparring match between several of the colored pugilists from the crew. These events were declared to be a draw and were furnished more as a feature of amusement than as a test of the puglistic ability of the men in the ring.

The last and by far the most exciting event was an oar race between the port and starboard watches, this having been won over a mile and a half course down the river around the buoy by the port watch. The start was fast and exciting and the result of the race doubtful until the ship was reached on the home stretch. The event was won by superior pulling. The winning crew was composed as follows: Charles Berg, coxswain; P. Lust, N. Nicholaidis, F. Kollenbeeke, G. Demetri and W. A. Skeen. The starboard watch crew was composed of Charles Christiansen, coxswain; R. Rourke, Putten, C. Xiros, O. Hansen and O. Siverton.

The events were fast and exciting and afforded no end of interest not only on board the cutter but among a large number of civilians who lined the wharf to witness the sports during the afternoon. Substantial cash prizes were offered in each event.

Football Game at Newbern.

A telegram last night states that Wilmington was victorious over Newbern on the gridiron of the latter yesterday, the score having been 22 to 0. The team left Wilmington Tuesday afternoon confident of winning and it appears that their confidence was not mistaken. The Wilmington team was composed of W. and R. Grant, tackles; Wilkerson and Seifert, ends; Stevens, centre; A. Jordan and W. Dozier, guards; P. O. Hall, full back; Ben Houston, left half back; Bartlett, right half back; Merritt, quarter back. The team will return to the city this afternoon at 1 o'clock.

WEDDING IN BRUNSWICK

Miss Clara Taylor Becomes Bride of Maj. Daniel Russell Johnson—Pretty Ceremony in New Hope Church.

The beauty and chivalry of the historic county of Brunswick were gathered yesterday afternoon at half after five o'clock in New Hope Presbyterian Church, at Winnabow, to witness the marriage of Miss Clara Taylor, the attractive young daughter of ex-Sheriff E. W. Taylor, and Major Daniel Russell Johnson, a nephew of ex-Governor Daniel L. Russell and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Johnson, both being among the most prominent young people of the community in which they reside.

The church interior was beautifully decorated in Southern smilax, plants and flowers, the prevailing colors having been white and green. The attendance was the seating capacity of the church and the ceremony is described by quite everyone in attendance as having been one of the prettiest they ever witnessed. The service which made the young people man and wife was spoken by Rev. L. W. Curtis, of Hamlet, a brother-in-law of the groom. Miss Bettie Fletcher, of Clarkton, skilfully rendered the wedding marches and the ensemble at the prettily decorated altar was perfect. The bride was attended as maid of honor by Miss Mercy Newkirk, of Wilmington, and the groom's best man was General Joseph F. Armfield, commanding the First Brigade, North Carolina National Guard, of whose staff Major Johnson is a member of with whom he was in the service in Cuba. Little Miss Lillian Curtis, a niece of the groom, was the attractive ring bearer and the groomsmen were Messrs. Edward and J. Mercer Taylor of Wilmington, brother of the bride; Mr. D. B. Sanders, of Onslow county, and Mr. W. H. Walker, of Brunswick.

The bride wore a beautiful costume of jusi cloth from the Philippines, elegantly made over white silk and she carried a lovely bouquet of carnations. Her ornament was a sunburst of pearls, the gift of the groom. The maid of honor was pretty in pale blue silk and she also carried carnations.

Following the ceremony at the church, the bridal party and some fifty or more guests were delightfully entertained during the evening at an elegant wedding supper at the home of the bride's father. A large number of very beautiful and useful wedding presents displayed there evidenced in no unmistakable way the wide popularity of the bride and groom.

Until their new home is ready for them, Major and Mrs. Johnson will reside at the residence of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Johnson.

Among the out-of-town guests at the wedding other than those named were: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mercer; Rev and Mrs. J. S. Crowley, Mrs. George C. Worth, ex-Judge and Mrs. E. K. Bryan, Mrs. S. W. Sanders, Mr. C. L. Dickinson, Mr. W D. McCaig, of Wilmington; Mr. and Mrs. John Gill, of Henderson; Rev. E. B. Carr, of Southport; Rev. Mr. Rogers, of Town Creek; Mr. D. S. Russell, of Maxton; Mrs. E. W. Sawyer, of Belleville; Miss Olivia Williams, of Phoenix, and Miss Fletcher of Clarkton.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY

Two Colored Women Locked Up for Taking Cross-Ties From A. C. L.

Lucy and Pearl Gilliam, colored women who reside in the vicinity of Ninth and Balden streets, were arrested yesterday morning by Special Policeman John Jones, watchman at the "Y" of the Atlantic Coast Line, charged with larceny. They will be given trial before the Mayor at noon today. It is alleged that the women invaded the premises of the Coast Line and took away a new cross-tie which they were converting into fire wood, when the watchman interfered and placed them both under arrest. They will be given trial today at noon before the Mayor.

ARE STILL ON RATES

Railway Legislation and Talk of it Will Not Down at Raleigh.

NEWS OF STATE CAPITAL

Mutual Publishing Company Incident. Affairs of the Dispensary—Pretty Marriage Ceremony—A. & M. College Opening.

(Special Star Correspondence)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 1,—Governor Glenn was seen in his office this morning where he spent several hours in spite of the fact that this was a legal holiday, and was asked as to the outlook for the Atlantic Coast Line coming into the compromise agreement in the railroad rate litigation. He said that newspaper announcements yesterday all turn out to be premature in that there is less probability than ever of the Coast Line coming into the compromise. In fact, letters have been received the past few hours from Coast Line officials stating definitely that this company will not join in the compromise. Another significant fact is that while there has been talk amoung counsel relative to a postponement of the hearing in the Coast Line case set for Wilmington January 9th, there has been no order to this effect made as yet by Standing Master W. A. Montgomery. Counsel on both sides have intimated their willingness for a continuance but the consent and definite order of the standing master for such continuance is not issued yet. While the Governor would not talk this morning of the situation further than to say that it is settled that the Atlantic Coast Line will not come into the proposed compromise, it is understood that the other railroads supposed to be interested in and consenting to the compromise are by no means agreed as to a number of essential features or details and there are intimations that can scarcely be gainsayed that after all there will be no assembling of the Legislature for ratification of the compromise pending or any other, but that if there is a special session it will more probably be with the idea of taking action relative to the rate litigation as now pending with all ideas of a compromise eliminated.

Governor Glenn was asked this morning about a report that has gone out from Atlanta that there will within the next few weeks be inaugurated a system of two cent Inter-State mileage books, interchangeable among all the principal lines in Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia. He said he knew nothing of it and that if such books were put on the act would be voluntary on the part of the railroads. However, he and the people of the State would have no kick coming as under present conditions with the interchangeable mileage books proposed North Carolina would have the advantage of a 2 1-4 cent rate in the State and 2 cents intra-State with mileage.

At the building of the Mutual Publishing Co., on Martin street this morning, there was a notable ceremony in honor of one of the retiring officers, J. S. Pearson, who has for six years held the position of treasurer and general manager of the company. Mr. Pearson goes at once to Wake Forest College to take up the study of law. A handsome gold watch appropriately engraved was presented to him as a testimonial from his associates in business, Mr. Clarence Poe editor of the Progressive Farmer, assumes the additional duties of secretary-treasurer and T. B. Parker becomes manager. Mr. Lester Butler is also added to the business force of the Mutual Company, the controlling interests in which are the Progressive Farmer, Biblical Recorder and Raleigh Christian Advocate.

The city schools of Raleigh will reopen for the Spring term tomorrow and an order has been made that owing to the crowded conditions no new scholars will be admitted, the schools being all crowded with a lack of extra teachers.

Manager Batchelor, of the Raleigh dispensary, which was superceeded by prohibition Dec. 27th, says the stock of liquors left on hand inventories about $4,000 and that no disposition will be made of this until there is some action by the Board of Aldermen. The probabiblity is that it will be shipped to Richmond and closed out.

The State offices were all closed today, at least so far as outward appearances go. However a number of the State officers and some of the clerical force were at their desks several hours during the morning attending to urgent mail and catching up with accumulated work.

At five o'clock this afternoon in the Church of the Good Shepherd there was an especially pretty marriage service, the bride being Miss Rachel Louise Linton, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. S. E. Linton, and Mr. Arthur Glenn Corpening, a well known and successful hotelist of Greensboro, Dr.

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WAR ON WHITE PLAGUE.

The National Tuberculosis Association continues with its great and good work in a most determined effort to stamp out the great white plague and it is reasonable to believe that eventually the number of deaths which is now something appalling, will be reduced to a minimum.

The Association has gathered together an exhibit and this it proposes to take from city to city, visiting all the larger ones in turn. This exhibition is intended for the enlightenment of both the public and health authorities. It is similar to that shown at the Jamestown Exposition, only it is larger and more complete in its scope. The campaign thus inaugurated is a vigorous one and it is proposed to interest every community in the country in the matter.

Not many years ago an attempt to subdue pulmonary consumption and to rid the world of it would have been regarded as impracticable and visionary. Now, however, the disease is better known and patients are being cured and the ravages of the disease circumscribed.

In discussing the present campaign against the disease and the prospects for its success the New York Tribune says:

"Complete vindication of the campaign depends, of course, upon the plan pursued. At present counsels are somewhat divided, as is not strange seeing how comparatively new the work is and how much is yet to be learned about it. But we may hope that ample knowledge will come and that there will be general agreement upon the right plan. It is suggestive to recall what has been achieved in respect of other diseases, and how little could have been done had the campaigns against them been undertaken with the imperfect knowledge of years ago. Humboldt, for example, ascribed the origin of yellow fever at Panama to the mephitic exhalations from decomposing mollusks and fish, and 'malaria' to what its ill conceived name implied, the foul atmosphere of tropical swamps and jungles. Had scientific campaigns against those plagues been conducted on such theories, no matter how earnestly, they would have been failures where a brief campaign along lines of real knowledge has been splendidly successful.

"To whatever extent the fight against tuberculosis lags or fails, therefore, we may ascribe that result to errors in the plan of campaign. To whatever extent it is successful credit will be due to judicious pursuit of right methods. In such a matter there is no room for preconceived fads or for rash experiments. The investigators must enter upon their tasks with open minds, seeking only to find the truth. Undertaking the work in that way, they have ground for confidence in its success. In places where a generation ago 70 per cent. of the inhabitants were afflicted with 'malaria,' 'malarial fever' or some such disorder, and where the death rate was, for that cause, almost the highest in the world, diseases of that class are now entirely unknown and the death rate has fallen to an enviable minimum. The same results may be achieved in respect to tuberculosis, so that the malady which has from time immemorial been dreaded as the most destructive to human life may become so rare as to be unworthy of special mention in vital statistics."

WANT ROOSEVELT ELIMINATED.

Many of the Republican leaders are looking upon the attitude of President Roosevelt toward the different candidates that are scrambling for the Republican nomination with much disfavor.

They argue that now that he is "down and out" he should keep his hands off from the nomination and leave it entirely with the people. We suppose it is but natural that the President should favor a member of his cabinet, one of his advisors who is perfectly familiar with his policies but we are not prepared to believe that the people of the country will accept a dictatorship in this or any other matter. They should resent any attempt to use such power and can be depended upon to do so. In commenting on this question the New York Journal of Commerce says:

"Now that the President has made it clear that he will under no circumstances be a candidate for re-election, it is his duty to make it equally clear that he has no candidate for the succession and will not use, or permit to be used, the powers intrusted to him for the service of the whole people to promote the candidacy of any man. There is no greater abuse of official responsibility than the employment of official power and influence to sway the action of the people selecting their delegates to representative conventions or in choosing those who are to serve them as legislators or executive officers. For the President to say who his successor shall be, and to undertake by the power of his office to control the political organization that has honored him for the ratification of his choice, falls little short of setting himself up as a dictator. If his candidate is one of his own official advisers, identified with his administration and devoted to his policies, whatever they may be, the matter is made worse and more closely allied with an effort to perpetuate his own hold upon office."

Any attempt of the President to use the vast machinery of the Government to nominate and elect Mr. Taft or any other favorite will more than likely be detrimental to the chances of the friend whom he would intend to benefit.

JOHNSON'S PLATFORM.

In reply to a question by the New York World, as to his position on the several National issues, Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota spoke with a plainness that leaves no doubt that he has decided ideas and is not afraid to discuss them or to have his position known.

He said:

The commercial and industrial development of this country has reached a point where the proper adjustment of right has become the question of the hour. The present unrest of our people is evidence of the determination shared by all that the fundamental principles of this Government shall be maintained. These include the dignity of labor, equality before the law, the equal enforcement of the laws and entire absence of special privileges.

Great corporations, especially those exercising at least some of the powers of government, must come to the realization that they are as amenable to the law as is the individual citizen.

The trust problem is still to be solved; but, while searching for the complete remedy, we can at least withdraw from their grasp the special privileges they have enjoyed under a high protective tariff.

It must be apparent that our present tariff, while mainly responsible for the existence of the trusts, is, in addition, a tax upon the masses for the benefit of the few.

The farming of taxes in France, before the Revolution, was no more iniquitous than is our present tariff system. The year will see tariff reform accomplished or well under way; for if the present Congress does not at the present session make substantial reductions the people in November will elect those pledged so to do.

NAUGHTY ENGLISH GIRLS.

Things have come to a pretty pass over in England. It is said that the female employes in the mills and factories are sowing their wild oats at an alarming rate.

So bad have the factory girls been behaving, that the mill owners at Birmingham have recently appointed a commission to find out the cause of both their mental and physical deterioration.

It appears that the young women, and most of them are really young, have formed clubs for the express purpose of introducing intoxicants into the factories and workshops and at wedding celebrations, birthdays and social gatherings. It is even asserted that some of the girls do not desire to join these clubs but that they are forced to it and made to meet weekly assessments.

In some cases it is said that mill owners have encouraged drinking among the young women in their employ and that the result of all this has been to undermine the morals of the women and unfit them for domestic responsibilities.

Such a state of affairs truly presents a most depressing problem and can but threaten the national life and future strength of the future generation.

LYRICS FROM COTTON LAND.

This is the title of a splendid little volume of poems just received from the Stone & Barringer Company of Charlotte. The poems are by Mr. John Charles McNeill and the most excellent drawings by Mr. A. B. Frost and E. W. Kemble. Mr. A. M. Kibble also furnishes a number of photographs.

"The publishers note" on the first page says: "Many of these verses have been published in the Charlotte Observer, some in the Century Magazine, and others appear first in this book."

This volume is a most fitting monument to the memory of one of the South's most gifted writers of both prose and verse who died on the 17th of last October, Mr. McNeill was the holder of the Patterson Memorial cup, which was offered as an incentive to develop literary talent in North Carolina, by Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, of Winston-Salem.

To have the new publication, to read "Mr. Nigger," "A Protest," "One Sided," "Bluffers," "The Catfish," "A Few Days Off," "A Tar Heel," "The Persimmon Tree," and any or all of the delightful poems, some several score of them, will be to keep and treasure it.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—The January dividends of $180,000,000 are enough to go around, but they won't.—Providence Tribune.

—Nor is it likely that Mr. Rockefeller will fail to admire the successful way in which the Rev. Dr. Aked takes up a collection.—Indianapolis News.

—Speaker Cannon's sale of his overcoat is a rash deed in view of the long chance that in the Presidential scrimmage your Uncle Joseph will lose his shirt.—New York Press.

—Judging from the liberal supply of "booze" which has been coming into Lincolnton the past few weeks quite a number of our citizens evidently vote one way and drink another.—Lincoln County News.

—We now have Congressman William McKinley, of Illinois; Senator Davis, of Arkansas, and Senator William J. Bryan, of Florida, George Washington may turn up again as a national figure in due season.—Springfield Republican.

—Though those who attribute to Secretary Loeb the failure of the New York County Committee to indorse Governor Hughes' Presidential candidacy have probably not hit on the real explanation, they may, as the children say, be getting "warm."—Providence Tribune.

—Newspaper men have their troubles with the great and the near-great. Adolphus Anheuser Busch has had plenty of time under palm trees of Pasadena to think it over. He rises to remark that he was grievously misquoted in the newspapers when he was made to say that he favored local option. What he did say, he says, was that local option is preferable to prohibition. Mr. Busch is to be congratulated that he did not get real angry over being misquoted and consign all the newspaper men who wronged him to the Ananias club.—Columbia State.

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TWINKLINGS.

Church—Did you ever try any of these "close to nature" methods? Gotham—Well, I've used a porous plaster!—Yonkers Statesman.

—"Hear the story of the shaky building?" "Nope. What is it?" "Oh, there's no foundation to it."—Pioneer Press.

—Mrs. Black—Nothing that mother eats agrees with her. Black—Food seems to have human intelligence.—Town Topics.

—"Your husband is not a very practical man, is he?" "No," answered Mrs. Torkins. "His idea of economy is to save up money to bet at the next race meeting."—Washington Star.

"I broke a record today. Had the last word with a woman." "Didn't think it possible. How'd it happen?" "Why, I said to a woman in the car, 'Madam, have my seat.'"—Philadelphia Ledger.

—A Georgia paper says: "He who rides on the rail courts death." It was an Irishman, ridden on a rail, who said that except for the honor of the thing he would just as soon walk.—Houston Post.

—"I understand you have perfected another great invention." "Yes," answered the scientist, modestly. "Is it on the market?" "Oh, it wasn't intended for the market It's for the magizines."—Washington Star.

—Visitor—Your husband, the doctor, is pacing up and down the room so excitedly; he seems ill. Wife of the Physician—I should think he is! Why he has just had to forbid himself beer! Translantic Tales.

—Bacon—Would you call him a good talker? Egbert—No, I would not. "How many times have you heard him talk?" "Only once." "And when was that?" "When he was trying to open a car window."—Yonkers Statesman.

—'Bilkins tells me he is getting awfully tired of living alone." "I would think he'd marry and settle down." "I was talking with him about it the other day, and he says he doesn't know whether to get married or buy a phonograph."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

JANUARY BOOKLET.

Interesting Matter in Latest Issue of North Carolina Publication.

The current North Carolina Booklet for January, 1908, is an interesting number containing besides the regular departments, three interesting articles on North Carolina historical subjects; General Robert Howe, by Hon. John D. Bellamy of this city; Early Relations of North Carolina and the West, by William K. Boyd; Incidents of the Early and Permanent Settlement of the Cape Fear, by W. B. McKoy, of Wilmington.

As usual, the biographical sketches by Mrs. E. E. Moffitt are devoted to the contributors of the number.

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Ar	Lumb't'n..	7:26 A. M.	6:55 P. M.
Ar	Maxton....	8:18 A. M.	7:49 P. M.
Ar	Hamlet....	9:15 A. M.	8:50 P. M.
Lv	Hamlet....	9:45 A. M.	10:20 P. M.
Ar	Monroe....	11:40 A. M.	12:20 A. M.
Ar	Ch'lotte....	12:35 P. M.	12:35 A. M.

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RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$1,767,886 59
N. C. State Bonds	55,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	450,000 00
Bank Building	25,000 00
Cash	891,114 25
	$3,189,000,84

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 500,000 00
Surplus and Net Profits	227,211 61
Circulation	425,000 00
Deposits	1,936,789 23
U. S. Bond Account	100,000 00
	$3,189,000,84

DEPOSITS:

December 3rd, 1903, $1,457,386 48
December 3rd, 1905, $1,856,479 01
December 3rd, 1907, $1,936,789 23

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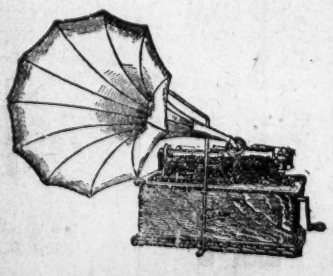

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Resources:

Loans and Discounts		$609,417 64
All other stocks, bonds and Mortgages		10,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures		2,246 05
Cash on Hand and in Banks		110,136 21
Total		$731,799 90
Liabilities:		
Capital Stock		$ 30,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		50,792 99
Dividends Unpaid		7.50
Deposits subject to check	$511,257 46	
Demand Certificates of Deposits	139,741 95	650,999 41
Total		$731,799 90

I, F. W. Dick, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. W. DICK, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 5th day of December, 1907.

C. S. GRAINGER,
Notary Public.

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M. W. DIVINE,
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PUT THE MEN TO SHAME

This Young Woman Saved Four Persons by Her Presence of Mind in Using Her Gum Shoes.

(From the New York World.)

No one having rubber gloves to handle a live wire, which was coiled around four unconscious persons at Metropolitan and Tenth avenues, Williamsburg, last night, a pretty young woman put a crowd of men to shame by doing the work of rescue herself.

It was only after she had made a crowd of men search in all directions for something to handle the dangerous wire with that the unknown heroine proved herself to be worth a hundred of them. Men had tried with sticks to disentangle the wire from its victims and finally the young woman disappeared for a minute and then came back again holding her own rubbers in her hand.

She assured the men that these could be used as gloves with perfect safety, but her arguments were not convincing to the timid crowd. Finally she did the trick herself while the crowd cheered.

She was one of the many passengers who alighted from the Greenpoint car at the point where a telephone wire had fallen over one of the trolley feed wires and was dangling over the sidewalk. In its meshes were John P. Daly, 11 years old, of 56 Metropolitan avenue, and William Lynch, 18 years old, 179 Tenth avenue, who had been struck by the wire as it fell, and John Lenahan, 24 North Fifth street, and James Dugan, 121 North Third street, who had tried to extricate them. All were insensible from shock and more or less burned.

The young woman, who was slight, with black eyes and brown hair, stooped in the shelter of a telegraph pole and in a minute reappeared, holding a pair of tiny rubbers in her hand.

"Use these," she urged. The crowd of men held back.

The young woman inserted her hands inside the galoshes, and handling the dangerous wire boldly soon had its coils freed from the bodies of the young men. She tied the wire neatly around a telegraph pole, and when Policemtn John Balton asked her name she declined to give it.

"They were far too small for my hands," said the policeman gallantly, pointing to the rubbers, and the young woman blushed and hastened to her car.

Daly and Lynch were taken to the Eastern District Hospital, and the other two were attended by Dr. James Slavin, 174 North Sixth street. All four suffered severe hurts.

TO OFFER BALLOON CUP

Trophy Won by Germans at St. Louis Will be Prize at Berlin.

(Special to New York Times.)

New York, Dec. 31.—After a year's study and investigation of aeronautics in Europe, Lieutenant F. P. Lahm, U. S. A., whose ballooning exploits are widely known, returned home today on board the steamship St. Louis, confident that the knowledge he has obtained will be of material assistance to the Government in experimenting with balloons for purposes of warfare.

Members of the Aero Club, who were at the pier to greet the aeronaut announced that the club had received word that the international cup, which Lieutenant Lahm captured for this country and which was won by the Germans in the St. Louis race, would be offered in competition next October. The start of the fight will be made in Berlin.

EASY TO GET WHISKEY SUNDAY

Parkhurst's Society Makes Exhibition of Flasks.

(Special Dispatch to Baltimore Sun.)

New York, Jan. 1.—Six hundred bottles and flasks with whiskey were placed in a show window on Broadway, near Forty-second street, today by agents of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, of which Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst is president. Above the display was a placard which read: "This whiskey was bought in saloons in this city on Sunday, December 8, and on Sunday, December 15."

Agents of the society said the window display is the first of a series to be exhibited in various parts of the city.

"The idea," said one of the agents, "is to show the people who pass how easily whiskey may be bought on Sunday. No crusade is contemplated against the soloons."

The Art of Skip Reading.

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Where It Fails.

"Silence is golden," remarked the party with the quotation habit.

"Perhaps it is," rejoined the contrary man, "but a dentist has never yet been able to fill teeth with it."—Chicago News.

Soul Mated.

"She declares they were made for one another."

"How does she make that out?"

"He earns about the monthly amount she'd like to spend."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Do not be troubled because you have not great virtues. God made a million spears of grass when he made one tree.—Beecher.

SAVED BY CLEAN HANDS.

Thrilling Incident of the Days of the Paris Communs.

Frederic Villiers' "Peaceful Personalities and Warriors Bold" contains a striking and somewhat bloody tale of the terrible days of the Paris commune. An unnamed Englishman tells the story of himself and Archibald Forbes, the great war correspondent: "There was a good deal of fighting in the streets at the time, for the Versailles troops were pressing hard upon the communists. One afternoon, in a street not far from where we were sitting, I was rounded up by a party of rebels and made to work erecting a barricade, when I found another Englishman pressed for the same business. It was Forbes, the war correspondent. We chummed together at our distasteful work, which we were compelled to do or risk being shot for spies.

"Presently the barricade was attacked by the Versailleists, and the communists, after a sharp fight, were driven helter skelter down the street. Forbes and I ran with them. Presently he shouted, 'Dive into that wineshop on the left!' I immediately did so, and Forbes, catching hold of me, pushed me through a shop to a back yard, where we found a pump. 'Now,' said he, 'wash your hands quickly and let me have a turn.' After our ablutions he hurried me back into the street. That simple incident of washing my hands saved my life, and I always remember it with gratitude.

"We had hardly gained the street before we were roughly arrested by the victorious troops, who would not listen to any explanation, and were hurried along with many other prisoners till we came to a blank wall, where a halt was made. About a dozen of us were made to stand in a line with our backs to the wall. 'Hands up!' cried the officer in charge.

"The poor devils who had soiled hands were told to remain. Forbes and I were the only men who were allowed to fall out, for our hands showed no sign of barricade work or soil of powder upon them. Before we realized what had happened the rest were riddled with bullets. It was a ghastly sight."

A COMICAL LAWSUIT.

Odd Revenge of the Whimsical Count De Lauraguais.

The Count de Lauraguais was one of the most singular characters of a whimsical time. He was full of oddities and had a reckless spirit of daring. The boldness of his language and action once drew upon him the displeasure of Louis XVI., who banished him from Paris, but he came back on a festal day and was seen in the very face of the court walking about a race course. The king winked at the escapade. Such a culprit was incorrigible.

But one of the most absurd of his antics had to do with the Prince D., a very dull courtier, against whom he had a grudge. One day the count applied very gravely to a physician, asking if it were possible for a person to die of ennui.

"Such a thing," said the doctor, "would be very singular and very rare."

"But what I want to know," said the count, "is whether it would be possible."

"Well," answered the doctor, "a long continued state of ennui might induce some disease, such as consumption, and in that sense it might cause the patient's death."

On this the consultation was written down and signed at the count's request and the fee paid.

Next he went to an advocate and asked whether he could make a legal complaint against a man who by any means whatsoever had formed a design against his life. The advocate assured him that there was not the least doubt of it and in his turn signed a declaration. Armed with these documents, the Count de Lauraguais instituted criminal proceedings against Prince D., who, he declared, had formed the design of tiring him to death!

Of course the suit ended in laughter, but he had had the satisfaction of telling the world how his enemy impressed him.

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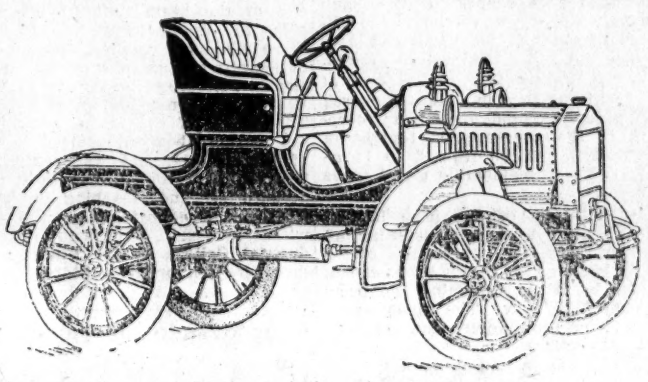

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The Morning Star.

Thursday, January 2, 1908.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 2, 1908.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. Wednesday, January 1:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 40 degrees; 8 P. M., 54 degrees; maximum 64 degrees; minimum, 56 degrees; mean, 50 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month, 2.31.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville on Tuesday at 8 A. M. 38 feet with rapid rise in progress.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Local showers Thursday or at night, Friday fair, colder, variable winds.

Port Calendar—Jan. 2.

Sun Rises .. ..7:10 A. M.
Sun Sets .. ..5:00 P. M.
Day's Length .. ..9 hrs. 44 min.
High water at Southport 6:47 P. M.
High water at Wilmington 9:17 P. M.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. John Slocumb, who went up to Goldsboro to attend the New Year german there Tuesday night, returned to the city last evening.

—Mr. Marvin H. Brimmer has returned from a delightful visit during the holidays to his former home at Danville, Va.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. S. McManus, who have been spending some time in Florida and on a visit to Cuba, are now in Atlanta, Ga., where they will spend some time with relatives and friends.

LOCAL DOTS.

—A new edition of the telephone directory is just out. It is neatly printed and contains the names of many new subscribers. The books are now being distributed to all patrons.

—The North Carolina Sorosis will hold its regular business meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the club rooms. The executive committee will meet fifteen minutes earlier at 3:45 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

—The Young People's Society of St. Matthews English Lutheran church will give its annual New Year reception to the congregation tonight in the church parlors from 8 to 11 o'clock. Every member is urged to be present.

—The alarm of fire from box 45 shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon was on account of a slight blaze at 606 South Front street, owned by W. M. Cumming and occupied by T. E. Cox. The cause was a spark from the chimney and the damage was trifling.

—Miss Ethel Wood, of Newbern, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. W. Koch, in this city, during the holidays, returned to her home yesterday. She was joined in Wilmington by Miss Mamie Meeks, of Fayetteville. Both are teachers in the graded schools at Newbern and they returned to their duties together.

MESSRS. LEWIS & COWELL.

Have Purchased Shaving Parlors on Market Street—Improvements.

Messrs. J. L. Lewis and John E. Cowell, who have been employed in the establishment, have purchased from W. R. Morrison the attractive shaving parlors opened a few months ago at No. 107 Market street and will conduct the business at the same stand in the future, making a specialty of all the new and latest methods known to the profession. The firm name will be Lewis & Cowell and the new proprietors will make a number of changes for the new year. These will include the installation of fixtures new throughout and a general remodeling of the interior of the place. The firm will make a strong bid for the public patronage and every effort will be made to please even the most fastidious.

WILLIAMS COMEDY COMPANY.

"The Kidnapper" Will be Bill at Academy of Music This Evening.

Again tonight the Williams Comedy Company will hold the boards at the Academy. It will resume its engagement this evening and will present one of the strongest plays in its repertoire, "The Kidnapper." The piece is stirring in action, but will furnish plenty of comedy, while the specialty bill will be bright and new and will be most attractive in nature. All the vaudeville numbers will be changed and will make up a complete and fine performance aside from the drama. Seats for tonight's performance went on sale at Plummer's this morning and popular prices are, of course, still prevailing.

The company will give a special matinee Saturday afternoon.

WESTERN UNION TO BEAUFORT

Office Opened in That City With Beginning of New Year.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Beaufort, N. C., Jan. 1.—The Western Union Telegraph Company have today opened a direct office to this city which changes the State rate from forty to twenty-five cents for ten word messages and to other points according to State's rates.

Arrested Disorderly Negro.

James Stanley, colored, charged with being drunk and disorderly at Fourth and Castle streets, yesterday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock, was arrested by Special Officer J. H. Williams. He was landed in the police station and will be given trial before the Mayor at noon today.

Beginning next Monday the cotton mill of the Nashua Manufacturing and the Jackson Company, of Nashua, N. H. will go on a forty hour week schedule. The mills will be run eight hours a day, five days a week.

ARE STILL ON RATES

(Continued from first page.)

I. McK. Pittinger, the rector, being the officiating minister. The Christmas decorations of the church with numerous lighted tapers and palms and ferns made quite a pretty setting for the ceremony. The bridal party consisted of Miss Mary V. Linton, maid of honor, Mr. Frank J. Long, of Atlanta, best man, and Mr. A. B. Andrews, Jr., A. B. D. Smith, G. L. Jones, Franklin and Mr. William Little, Raleigh, ushers

Raleigh officers of the law are preparing now to undertake the suppression of "blind tigers" and the general enforcement of the prohibition law which became effective December 27. A member of the city police commission said today that the commission has determined to go in for a rigid enforcement of the law so far as arrests for retailing are concerned. Of course it will be up to the police justice, over whom the commission has no control, to exercise his own inclinations as to the degree of punishment meted out to violators. Two arrests have already been made. Already a big increase in "order" business is evident, the postoffice money order business having taken such an impetus that it is necessary to take steps to add an extra money order clerk. Then to the travel of negroes with suit cases to and from Pine Level, 28 miles from Raleigh, is increasing daily. There were six such tickets to Pine Level sold yesterday, the dispensary there being the attraction.

The Agricultural & Mechanical College opens for the Winter term Tuesday, January 7th. There are many applicants for admission. The reputation of the College is growing and spreading. President Winston says only lack of room prevents its enrolling a thousand students. The last term was the most successful in the history of the College; both the scholarships and the discipline were excellent. The military organization was in a high state of efficiency. Hazing has practically disappeared from the college. The new heat and power plant is about completed. It will be one of the best in the South. Be sides the regular work of the year, there will be a one week's course in agriculture and an eight weeks' course also in agriculture, beginning January 7th, for the benefit of actual farmers. The people of the State everywhere are talking about the splendid work of this college, and wondering why the Legislature does not equip it with dormitories and teaching facilities sufficient to educate every boy that wishes to come. This is the only Industrial College in the State, while there are ten or more literary colleges.

RECOVERED HIS BICYCLE.

Machine Stolen From Mr. A. H. Yopp Discovered at Burgaw.

Mr. A. H. Yopp, of this city, who on last Friday had a bicycle stolen from him from in front of the shoe store of Messrs. Peterson & Rulfs, where the machine had been left for a few moments, yesterday recovered his property through the medium of a classified advertisement in the Star.

As the bicycle was clearly stolen and not taken by mistake, Mr. Yopp thought it was useless to advertise the loss of the wheel and had delayed the matter until night before last when he took a chance at it and inserted a 25-word advertisement stating that the bicycle had been lost. Yesterday, soon after the morning mail reached Burgaw, he was called up by telephone by Mr. Walter Croom, of that place, and informed that the day after the bicycle had been stolen in Wilmington, his little nephew had purchased a wheel of the description advertised. Mr. Yopp at once questioned Mr. Croom more closely as to the description as the result of which the property was clearly identified and the bicycle was forwarded to him by express last night. The bicycle was stolen by a small colored boy not over twelve years of age and was sold in Burgaw for about $4 and a shot gun, given in exchange with the money. The boy lives in Wilmington and has relatives in Burgaw whom he frequently visits. A warrant has been made out for the arrest of the boy and he will be taken into custody at once, though it is doubtful, on account of his age, if anything can be done to bring him to justice.

Change of Firm Name.

Official notice is given elsewhere in today's paper of a change in the firm name of the Willard & Giles Company. Hereafter this popular insurance agency will be known as Clayton Giles & Son, and the firm will consist of Mr. Clayton Giles, Sr., and Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., both of whom are well known and popular in business circles and have been in insurance for a number of years.

Suit Was Dismissed.

The civil suit brought by Mr. Sam Ballinger against Mr. J. A. Boyette, manager of the Colonial Inn, for the recovery of an alleged indebtedness of $60, was dismissed in Justice Bornemann's court yesterday. The plaintiff was represented by L. Clayton Grant, Esq., and the defendant by Herbert McClammy, Esq.

When women borrow trouble they usually pay back double.

The Theatre

The benefit performance tonight at the Crystal Palace promises to be very largely attended and an extra effort will be put forth by the management and the stage people to please all who attend. A very fine vaudeville bill and a number of first-class refined specialties will be introduced.

As stated yesterday, through the generosity of Messrs. Van Duzen Brothers, the performance tonight will be for the benefit of a fund being raised to defray the expenses of two youngsters at a reform school where it is hoped to reclaim them from their incorrigibility. There is no other fund that can be drawn upon for this purpose and the cases have been inquired into and found perfectly worthy by Rev. R. W. Hogue, of St. James' parish, who has had wide experience in this work.

For this performance there will be an entire change of vaudeville acts and picture films on the Cry-pal-o-scope and those who have attended the theatre earlier in the week will find something entirely new and refreshing. The Crystal Palace was never more popular than now. The vaudeville people engaged are among the best ever brought to this city and patrons are the warmest enthusiasts of the daily offerings there.

POLICE COURT YESTERDAY.

Five Defendants Before the Mayor on the New Year Holiday.

New Year resolutions did not affect five defendants who were arraigned before the Mayor yesterday at noon. James McKoy, colored, drunk and disorderly and arrested by Officer J. M. Lord, was given a fine of $10 and costs. W. H. Davis, colored, arrested on the same charge by Officer D. W. Coleman, was given the same fine. R. Fisher, drunk and down, and Gordon Steele, firing a pictol in the city limits, were let off with the costs. The last named is a sailor on one of the vessels in port and was in the vicinity of Front and Market streets Tuesday midnight, when the New Year bedlam broke loose. He has an old pistol along with him and could see no more harm in letting go with that than with the numerous canton crackers that were being used by the others. He was unmindful, however, of the city ordinance which makes a difference and he was arrested and locked up. The Mayor dealt leniently with him and he was let off with the cost. Sarah Mack, colored, charged with being drunk and disorderly, was taxed with a fine of $5 and costs.

169 ARRESTS PAST MONTH.

Holiday Offenders Harvested by Police During December.

The records at the police station show that during the month of December just closed, the police made 169 arrests, 57 of the defendants having been white and 112 colored. The number is not abnormally large when it is considered that nearly one-third of the number represented the harvest of the police during Christmas eve and Christmas day, when many arrests were made for violating the fireworks ordinance. None of the arrests were of special interest during the month save that of Will Richardson, the negro charged with having committed the double murder in Terry's alley during the holidays. He was arrested at Southern Pines but was brought back here and his name entered on the docket.

Charged With Cruelty to Animals.

P. B. Bachmorton, Lidy Simons, Robert Huston and T. L. Cromartie, all white, were arrested yesterday afternoon by Officer C. G. Jones, charged with cruelty to animals. It appears that they had hired a double team from the City Livery Co. and were driving in the southern part of the city. One of the horses would not pull and the burden of the conveyance was on the other animal, which they were beating. The defendants were recognized for their appearance before the Mayor at noon today.

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Men's Suits, a big line of Black Thibets and Unfinished Worsteds latest styles; Vanition lined, a nobby Dress Suit, prices $15 to $25.

Rain Coats, full assortment of Grays, Blacks and Tan Colors, prices $10.00 to $15.00.

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NOTICE

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 21, 1907.

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With the large resources and liberal policy of the Murchison National Bank, all patrons of either bank may feel assured of the best treatment in every particular.

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RECIEVER FOR SEABOARD ROAD

Application Was Made to Judge Waddill of United States District Court.

RECOMNENDED PRITCHARD

Who Hurried to Richmond and at a Late Hour Last Night Was in Conference With the Officials.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Richmond, Va., Jan. 1.—Counsel for the Seaboard Air Line and creditors of the company applied this afternoon to United States District Judge Waddill for the appointment of receivers, and subsequently agreed to make application to Judge Pritchard of the United States Circuit Court and thereby obviate the necessity of securing ancilliary decrees in each of the court districts through which the lines of the company operate.

With this end in view Judge Leigh R. Watts, General Counsel of the Seaboard, with other attorneys, left for Danville at 6:50 o'clock on a special train to meet Judge Pritchard at that point, it having been learned that he was on his way to Richmond to consider the matter tomorrow.

Judge Waddill announced that he would appoint the receivers on certain conditions, but it was thought best to go to a court with larger jurisdiction.

The Times Dispatch has just learned over the long distance telephone that Judge Pritchard and the counsel for the Seaboard are in conference at the Southern Railway station in Danville. They decline to give out anything for publication until the entire matter is settled.

Baltimore, Jan 1.—S. Davies Warfield returned to this city tonight from New York but when seen by a reporter of the Associated Press said he would not make any statement relative to the Seaboard Air Line situations pending the application for the appointment of receivers.

It is known here that conferences have been in progress, the outcome of which might possibly be the staving off of the receivership, but the Associated Press dispatch from Richmond is taken to indicate that the conferences alluded to have not had a favorable outcome.

Baltimore, Jan. 1.—In an advertisement which will appear in tomorrow morning's papers Blair & Co. and Ladenburg, Thalman & Co., of New York, offer to purchase the coupons, maturing today, on a long list of securities of railroads identified with the Seaboard Air Line and also the equipment bonds of the Seaboard, that mature on the same date, these purchases to be at face value. The offer holds as to all such coupons and equipment bonds as may be presented on or before February 29 at the Morton Trust Company, this city.

The advertisement states that the offer is made "in order that the integrity of the Seaboard Air Line Railway system may be maintained pending an opportunity for the formulation of proper plans for the readjustment of its affairs."

Danville, Va., Jan. 1.—The private car containing the Seaboard Air Line Company, Ansel, headed by Samuel Untermyer of New York; Judge Leigh R. Watts of Portsmouth, General Counsel for the Seaboard Air Line railroad and Eppa Hunton, Jr., of Richmond, reached here at 11:30 o'clock. There were aboard the car about 14 or 20 men, mostly lawyers, but among the number, Clerk of the United States Circuit Court Brady and Court Stenographer Raymond Brown.

The names of the other gentlemen could not be learned as they refused to give them and would not talk. Mr. Untermyer was questioned by an Associated Press correspondent and stated that no application had been made for a receivership. He would not say whether an application would be made He would say nothing further but said that a full statement would probably be given out on the arrival of the party in Richmond.

Judge Pritchard reached the city about 12:15 o'clock, and was at once taken to the Seaboard private car. He would say nothing regarding the object of his trip to Richmond.

He left at 2 o'clock with the Seaboard counsel and with clerk Brady and Stenographer Brown and will probably hold a hearing en route to Richmond.

Lynchburg, Va., Jan. 1.—A representative of the News talked over long distance telephone late tonight with a reporter of the Danville Register and learned that Samuel Untermyer, attorney for the Seaboard Air Line had made the following statement:

"Learning that Judge Pritchard was in Danville, we came down here on the bare chance that he might be able to give us a hearing on a matter of business we have before him—that is all there is to it."

New York, Jan. 1.—In March the Seaboard made an arrangement with the Continental Trust Company of Baltimore and the New York Trust Company of this city to extend its $18,000,000 issue of mortgage and collateral trust five per cent. bonds due that month to May 1911.

The company has outstanding $23,895,000 of preferred stock and $37,000,000 of common stock. On June 30, 1906 the road had a funded debt of $63,000,000. It owns 2,382 miles of road and the total of owned and operated lines is 2,611 miles. The main line extends from Richmond, Va., and Portsmouth, Va., to Tampa, Fla., in the numerous branches.

It was organized under its present corporate title in 1900. Some time later a holding concern, the Seaboard Company was formed with $72,000,000 capital to manage the securities of the system.

The Seaboard was in the thick of the Southern rate war. It refused to submit to the 2 cent a mile rate fixed by several of the Southern States. Last August J. M. Barr, former president of the road, declared under oath at the Federal inquiry in this city that the rate was confiscatory. The road finally submitted to the rate. The government recently took steps to prosecute the Seaboard for being in the alleged bitumenous combine.

It was stated tonight there would be no default in interest in the five per cent. bond coupons, which fell due on New Year's, arrangements having been made with the New York bankers to advance the funds.

THE WOMAN IN RED.

Mystery Concerning Murder of Harrisburg, N. J. is Still Unsolved.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan., 1.—The mystery enveloping the murder of the "woman in red" is seemingly as impenetrable today as when the nude body was first discovered on Christmas day, partially concealed in the water and slime of a lonely pond near Harrison, N. J. Thus far the detectives have failed to find a single reliable clue to the identity of the woman or her slayer. The identification of the dead woman by Mrs. Hattie Hull and Detective Drabell, of Orange, N. J., have completely collapsed. Word was received from Philadelphia today that Agnes O'Keefe, who Detective Drabell believed the murdered woman to be, had been found in that city.

Acting Mayor Daly of Harrison, N. J., announced today that the city council would offer a reward of $1,000 for the arrest and conviction of the slayer. With the hope of finding a new clue in the way of clothing or effects the pond in which the body was found is to be drained. The famous Belgian police hounds which Police Commissioner Bingham imported recently will be used in the attempt to track the murderer.

JOSEPH W. KATES DEAD.

Famous Telegraph Operator Died Last Night.

(By Wire to the Morn'ng Star.)

Richmond, Va., Jan. 1.—Joseph W. Kates, for many years the most prominent telegraph operator in Virginia and perhaps in the entire South passed away tonight at Manchester. He was one time superintendent of the Southern district of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Richmond, and later general superintendent of the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company with headquarters in Richmond.

Mr. Kates was in charge of the office at Manassas, Va., during the battles of Blackburns' Ford and Manassas and for several weeks did the work of the office by himself. It was he that transmitted the famous message from President Jefferson Davis to General Joseph E. Johnston at Winchester, ordering that officer to make a junction with General Beauregard at Manassas.

In the Fall of 1861 he was again transferred to Richmond anad in the Spring of 1862 to Columbus, Ky., where he ws operator at the headquarters of Generals Polk and Beauregard.

CALEB POWERS TRIAL.

Celebrated Case Will Go to the Jury This Morning.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Georgetown, Ky., Jan. 1.—Never, perhaps in the history of the Scott county court has such a crowd packed the court room as that which surged into the building today to hear former Congressman W. C. Owens and States Attorney Franklin, close the arguments in the fourth trial of Caleb Powers, which has been in progress here for the past eight weeks. Men and women literally fought for admission to the court room.

Major Owens consumed the entire forenoon arguing upon the theory that Goebel was assassinated by Henry Youtsey, whom he denominated as a murderous crank of the Guiteau and Czolgosz pattern, who had committed the crime on his own responsibility and of his own volition and that there was no conspiracy concocted by Powers or anybody else. He was followed by State's Attorney Franklin.

When Attorney Franklin finished his speech this afternoon the jury decided to wait until morning before deliberating. Judge Morris then adjourned court until tomorrow.

BIG FIRE IN MINING TOWN

Already $100,000 Damage Has Been Done and Flames are Spreading.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 1.—Fire is raging in Coal Centre, 50 miles South of here, on the Mongah river. It is beyond control of the town's fire department and aid has been called from Charleroi and other nearby towns. It is feared that most of the town will be destroyed.

Coal Centre is a mining town with from 3,000 to 4,000 inhabintants and nearly all buildings are frame structures.

The fire started in the tripple of the Vesta mine owned by the Jones and Laughlin Steel Company, of this city, which was practically destroyed. The loss on the tripple alone, it is said will exceed $100,000.

At midnight the flames had swept an area equal to a city block and was still spreading. Most of the buildings so far destroyed were small and inexpensive.

WARM WIRELETS.

Judge John W. Barr, a distinguished Kentucky jurist, died Tuesday of pneumonia at Louisville, Ky., at the age of 82. He was on the Federal bench here for nineteen years.

General Albert Lindley Lee, at one time a Judge of the Supreme Court, of Kansas, as well as a veteran of the Civil War, is dead at his apartments in the hotel Belmont, at New York.

GOV. HUGHES' MESSAGE

Asks New York Legislature to Stop All Race Track Gambling and Revise the Banking Laws of the State.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Albany, N. Y. Jan. 1.—The Legislature of 1908 convened today, completed the necessary organization, heard the second annual message of Governor Hughes and adjourned until next Monday, when the real grind will begin.

Gov. Hughes' message contains many important recommendations. Chief among these, in the light of certain conditions, disclosed by the recent financial upheaval, is a recommendation regarding the amendment of the law relating to banks and trust companies. The Governor urges the legislators to adopt every practicable means "to prevent repetition of reprehensible practices and to assure the proper management of the financial institutions chartered and supervised by the State, upon whose stability and prosperity the interests of our people in every walk of life so largely depend."

Another important recommendation has as its object the complete suppression of race track gambling throughout the State.

Direct nominations at primaries and a simplified form of ballot are urged and recommendations also are made for better provision for the care and protection of emigrants.

With reference to the banking laws the message says: "Recent events have demonstrated the necessity of providing effective means for preventing the exploitation of banks and trust companies and the acquisition and use of a control of a number of institutions to facilitate selfish schemes opposed to sound banking. If suitable restrictions are imposed in explicit form, and with appropriate penalties, ensuring adequate knowledge and proper action on the part of the board of directors with regard to loans and other transactions the security of our financial institutions and the confidence which springs from just reliance upon their proper management, will greatly be strengthened."

The Governor recommends that provision be made for liquidation of insolvent banking institutions under the supervision of the superintendent of banks.

Extreme caution in making any changes in the present insurance law is urged by the Governor. He suggests the advisability of providing for the liquidation under the supervision of the Superintendent of Insurance of insolvent insurance corporations.

The enlargement of scope of the Public Service Commission laws proposed in the message would provide to include telephone and telegraph companies in addition to the corporations already under supervision. Such extension of the act would bring the telegraph and telephone under regulation as to rates, service and other matters.

THE LEAP YEAR GERMAN

Delightful Affair Last Night by the Season's Debutantes.

One of the most briliant social affairs of the holiday season in Wilmington was the Leap Year german given last night in the Masonic Temple ball room by the season's debutantes, in compliment to their young gentlemen friends of which there were a large number in attendance. The ball room had been most attractively decorated with holiday evergreens, flags and the like while a spectacular effect was given during the evening by the presentation of numerous favors of quaint and fantastic design, to say nothing of the first appearance of the young ladies in mask and domino. On the south wall was a floral piece bespeaking "good luck" to the guests.

The Leap Year idea was carried out well in the selection of partners for the dance by the young ladies themselves, the gentlemen entertaining not the least idea of with whom they were dancing until the intermission when the couples were announced and the young people returned to the ball room to resume the festivities of the New Year. The debutantes were honored with the last announcement of their partners, the other dancers preceding them to the floor and resuming the german after unmasking, then following the debutantes and their escorts, who were permitted the exclusive use of the floor for one figure, all joining in the dance when this pretty little formality was over. Before unmasking carrying out the Leap Year effect, the german was led by Miss Florence Kidder, who gave way to Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., later during the progress of the dance. Dainty refreshments were served during the evening and the hosts of the occasion were charmed with the most excellent treatment they received at the hands of their fair hostesses. About seventy-five couples were in attendance.

WANT LIST OF POLICY HOLDERS.

Affairs of Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Co. are Getting Into Courts.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New Orleans, Jan. 1.—A policy holders committee of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company, representing policy holders mostly in Southern States and with headquarters here issued today an appeal to all policy holders of the company to furnish the committee their name and address.

The committee declared that it had been refused permission by the company to copy the policy holders names from the books. The committee has employed counsel in New York which has applied to the Federal Courts for a receiver for the Mutual on the ground of insolvency.

An alleged attempt of the company's officials to give the directors increased powers to levy assessments and to impose liens on policies is opposed by the committee of which Jose W. Hyams, Speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives is chairman.

"ONE OF THE CRAFT."

Mr. J. G. McCormick Retires From Robesonian to Come Here.

The Lumberton Robesonian of this week announces editorially the retirement of Mr. J. G. McCormick from the presidency of the Robesonian Publishing Company and the election of Mr. A. E. White to succeed him. Mr. McCormick comes to Wilmington the first of the year to take the position of secretary and treasurer of the Acme Manufacturing Company. The Robesonian says that it voices but the prevailing sentiment of the people of the county when it says that Lumberton regrets very much to lose Mr.McCormick and that "Wilmington is to be congratulated upon the acquisition of a man whose boundless energy and capacity for work and whose splendid ability will carry him as far in the business world, as those qualities have carried him to an enviable position in the practice of the profession which he is giving up. "It is but fair to say," the Robesonian concludes, "that no man of equal years and experience in the State has brighter prospects in the practice of the law than Mr. McCormick relinquishes, but he has elected to enter a new field of work and, while his friends here and throughout Robeson county regret he has so elected, they hope and believe that large success awaits him in the field he has chosen to enter."

The Robesonian also this week announces that Mr. Walter Bethune will be connected with the paper in a local capacity after the first of the new year. He is well known, a good newsgatherer and the Robesonian is to be congratulated upon securing him.

Entertain Friday Night.

The Knights of Columbus are arranging a pleasant entertainment to be given Friday evening in their hall on North Third street. A committee is in charge of the arrangements and a pleasant evening is assured for all who attend.

TWO POLICEMEN KILLED.

When Trying to Arrest Ernest Wills on a Trivial Charge.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 1.—Patrolmen Mike Wrenn and O. L. Jarnagan were shot and killed tonight while trying to arrest one Ernest Wells on a trivial charge. The shooting occurred in the entrance to Rena Hensley's house on Central street, in the tenderloin district. When the officers laid hand on Wells he attempted to draw a pistol and both officers grabbed his hand and Patrolman Wrenn caught him by the collar. Wrenn asked Jarnagan if he had the pistol and the latter replied that he had and Wrenn released his hold. As he did so Wells wrested the weapon from Jarnagan's hand and shot Wrenn who fell away, and Jarnagan was then quickly shot as he was attempting to draw his weapon. Turning, Wells shot Wrenn again and then turned around and shot Jarnagan through the heart. Wrenn died instantly and Jarnagan in a few minutes, but not until he tried twice to arise and call for help. Wells surrendered to a citizen and his only explanation was that he knew if they arrested him he would go to the workhouse and he would as soon be hung. Wells is about 23 years old and lived with a woman in the bowery section.

Both officers were married men with families. Wrenn had served about ten and Jarnagan about three years on the force.

A special from Honeapath, S. C., says Shepard L. Graham, one of the most prominent merchants, shot his wife to death in her bed room this morning. In preparing to leave for his plantation he reached up over the bed to get his rifle, when it was discharged accidentally, the bullet striking his wife in the temple.

A woman can keep a secret if nobody cares whether she does or not.

WASHING WITHOUT WATER

Is Like Trying to Get Rid of Dandruff Without Herpicide.

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—Newbern Journal: It is reported that several of the timber contractors began operations in the log woods Monday. This would seem to indicate that the mills might begin work shortly.

—Hillsboro, Jan. 1.—At the close of business in Hillsboro yesterday afternoon our postoffice records shows a strong and steady growth, with an upward tendency. The postal receipts show a gain of 10 per cent. over last year, while the money order business shows an increase of 20 per cent., making a total of 30 per cent. increase for the year ending December 31, 1907.

—Durham, Jan. 1.—Beginning with yesterday morning all the city banks ceased the payment of scrip, and this discontinuance is evidence of the improved condition, and in the future all checks will be paid in currency. From this time on the $50 limit will be raised. It will be recalled that from the beginning of the money stringency only fifty dollars would be given on any one account per day.

—Greensboro, Jan. 1.—Local base ball enthusiasts are warming up for the approaching season of the base ball league of the Carolinas, consisting of clubs from Greensboro, Salisbury and Charlotte, in North Carolina, and Spartanburg, Greenville and Anderson, in South Carolina. A meeting will be held by the local fans in a few days to perfect organization. Each city has put up a $500 forfeit to begin playing when the season opens the latter part of April and continue until the close in four months.

—Greensboro, Jan. 1.—W. I. Underwood, formerly city editor of The Chronicle, but for the past two years connected with the Greensboro Life Insurance Company, has resigned and tomorrow will assume the editorship of The Greensboro Patriot, of which his brother-in-law, W. M. Barbee, is publisher. Mr. Underwood did newspaper work here for a number of years and his friends of the craft will welcome him back into the field of journalism.

—Gastonia, Jan. 1.—William George, a well known white man about the town, had his skull fractured Tuesday night and was taken today to a Charlotte hospital for an operation. He was drinking at the time. George told the police that the wound was inflicted by George Lawing, a young white man, who lives at the old mill, and whom the officers have been unable to locate. Lawing, he says, struck him with a rock. Lawing is 18 years old, red-headed and has a wooden leg. There were no eye-witnesses to the assault. George's condition is serious.

—Charlotte Observer: Deputy Sheriff E. O. Johnston has a foxy set of prisoners to deal with down at the county jail. It is fortunate that he is a little bit more foxy than they. They are forever hatching up some scheme to lay out the jailer and effect an escape. So long as Rob Alexander, the mean negro with whom Mr. Johnston had the fierce scrap at the jail several months ago, is in the prison, trouble may confidently be looked for. Sunday morning, under the leadership of Alexander, a plot had been laid by which Deputy Johnston was to be laid out with a carving knife and guarded while the keys were secured and the doors opened. This was to take place when the prisoners were turned free into the corridor for religious services. The jailer got onto the game, however, and anticipated it.

—Asheville, Jan. 1.—A special this afternoon from Bryson City, where occurred a shooting scrape between negroes and whites Sunday night, resulting in the wounding of several, says that Laston Powell and Will Trotter, two of the negroes, believed to be ring-leaders, have been held to the grand jury by the mayor of the city. The negroes were not allowed bond. Two other negroes, Tom DeHart and Carey Fisher, arrested charged with carrying concealed weapons, have been placed in jail. The firing on the whites by the negroes Sunday night was sudden and without provocation. A crowd of 40 or 50 white people were at the railway station while just across the tracks were a dozen or more negroes. Bad blood had existed between the negroes and the whites for some time but no one expected any trouble. Suddenly and without warning the negroes opened fire with shotguns and pistols. The white men took to cover and then made reply with revolvers.

—Statesville, Jan. 1.—There were some very indignant passengers on westbound passenger train No. 11 Tuesday and there came near being a "rough house" on the train between Salisbury and Statesville. The cause of the disturbance was the presence of a large, sporty negro in the Pullman car. He had secured Pullman accommodations from Pittsburg, Pa., to Asheville, and had been riding with the whites unmolested until he reached North Carolina. Our people do not take kindly to such business, and there was a demand that the negro be removed, but he had paid for Pullman car accommodations and the Pullman conductor had no right to remove him from the car. The white passengers grew very indignant after leaving Salisbury and made threats that they would "remove" the objectionable passenger before he reached Asheville, but whether or not the negro rode all the way to Asheville in the Pullman we do not know.

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MERMAIDS OF LEGEND

Sea Women That Were Vouched For by Ancient Writers.

ORIGIN OF THE DELUSION.

These Traditional Creatures Were Probably Dugongs and Manatees. Seal Maidens of Fable—Mermaids of Fiction and the Seal of Fact.

There is a decided fascination about the mermaids of legend. Considering their traditional form, it does not seem quite certain whether they can be included among the fair "humanities" of old religion, but it would be extremely interesting to see one. In all seriousness the truths and poetry underlying and inherent in the old myths are well worth attention, but apart from these there is something distinctly entertaining in the quasi-historical accounts that we have of mermaids and the heroic attempts at rationalistic explanation. The fancy has taken firmer hold on popular imagination than many of the old legends. Of course they are recognized as nonexistent; but, unlike the majority of mythological beings, they are invested colloquially with a sort of humorous reality.

A "History of the Netherlands" gives a circumstantial account of a great tempest which washed ashore near Haarlem a "sea woman" as she was swimming about. She was captured and cleansed from the "sea moss that had grown about her" and became a humanized creature, except that she was always trying to escape into the water. And it is added, "Many persons worthy of credit have justified in their writings that they had seene her in the said towne of Haarlem." In the sixteenth century off Ceylon some sailors captured "seven mermen and mermaids," several priests and physicians testifying to the fact and the latter leaving it on record that after examination and dissection they found the external and internal structures resembled those of human beings. Hudson, the famous navigator, declared that his ship's company had seen a mermaid, the upper part of her body like a woman, skin very white and long black hair. An old Iceland history tells of one near Greenland, "the neck and head in all respects like a human being." The Norwegian Bishop Pontippidan, who wrote in the eighteenth century, "records the appearance of a mermaid which was deposed to on oath by the observers." And not to multiply quotations proving the belief even of the learned in the actual existence of the mermaids, Pliny asserts authoritatively that "as for the meremaidens it is no fabulous tale that goeth of them, for looke how painters draw them, so thay are indeed."

It seems hard after all these weighty testimonies that we should be assured that the "historical" mermaids were only dugongs or manatees, seals or sea lions, especially as some of these interesting creatures measure some eighteen feet in length and are by no means attractive in appearance. Something in the shape of the head and the breast is relied on by the rationalistic scientists as explaining the delusion, but one is at a loss to understand how this can account for the circumstantial descriptions that have come down to us. Coevals of those old writers have proved to us by their paintings that they held very much the same views as to what constitutes feminine beauty as we have, and we should certainly not discover in the dugong or manatee anything whatever to suggest in the very faintest degree the idea of a pretty woman. Yet there is generally the implication of comeliness in the verbal pictures the old writers give of their mermaids, though Columbus, who reported that he had seen two or three, admitted that he saw no beauty in them. The seal explanation perhaps does the least violence to one's traditional ideas, as, whatever may be thought of its resemblance to a woman, it is in itself graceful and its face and eyes are pleasing.

There is, at any rate, a rather suggestive coincidence in the view that the mermaid of fiction is the seal of fact, for closely allied if not identical with mermaids were the "seal maidens" of a thousand fables. The accepted tradition was that these maidens assumed the form of seals, which they could relinquish at any moment by divesting themselves of the sealskins. Only if while they were disporting themselves in quasi human guise their seal integuments were stolen or hidden they would have to remain as "maidens" and could not resume the form of seals. We know on the authority of many a song and legend that willingly or unwillingly a man has been

"married to a mermaid
At the bottom of the deep blue sea,"

but in the case of the fortunate purloiner of a seal maiden's "troublesome disguise" there was no need for a submarine descent. She could quite comfortably live on land and, indeed, had to unless she found her sealskin again, though always longing, like the mermaid of Haarlem, to become a sea dweller once more. There is therefore unquestionably a certain poetic propriety in the scientific identification of the mermaid with the seal.—London Globe.

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"I have always been a good friend to you, Mrs. Jinx," said Mrs. Lapsing, with blazing eyes, as she rose to go, "but I am a friend no longer. You have talked about my husband. Right here is where our paths divulge. Good afternoon."—Chicago Tribune.

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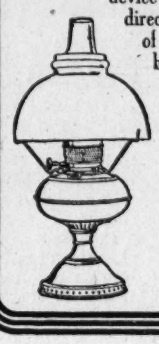

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WM. M. BELLAMY,
dec 25 30d Commissioner.

Atlantic Coast Line

Schedule in Effect November 17, 1907

NOTICE.

The arrivals and departures are given as information, as well as connections with other companies; but arrivals and connections are not guaranteed.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48.	No. 42.
Lv. Wilmington	9.40 am	7.00 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	12:50 pm	9:55 pm
Ar Rocky Mount	3:55 pm	11:40 pm
Ar. Weldon	4:55 pm	3:42 am
Ar. Norfolk	8:30 pm	
Ar. Wilson	1:58 pm	10:52 pm
Ar. Petersburg	7:05 pm	5:38 am
Ar. Richmond	8:00 pm	6:25 am
Ar. Washington	11:50 pm	10:05 am
Ar. Baltimore	1:43 am	11:20 am
Ar. Philadelphia	4:25 am	1:41 pm
Ar. New York	7:23 am	4:15 pm

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41.	No. 43.
Lv. New York	9:35 am	9:35 pm
Ar. Philadelphia	11:55 am	12:15 am
Ar. Baltimore	2:15 pm	2:46 am
Ar Washington	3:45 pm	4:20 am
Lv. Norfolk		8:30 am
Lv. Richmond	7:25 pm	8:15 am
Ar. Petersburg	8:05 pm	9:03 am
Ar. Weldon	9:59 pm	11:28 am
Ar. Rocky Mount	11:03 pm	12:55 pm
Ar. Wilson	11:50 pm	1:59 pm
Ar. Goldsboro	6.15 am	3.12 pm
Ar. Wilmington	9.35 am	6.10 pm

BETWEEN ILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Wil't'n	5:15 am	3:35 pm	7:00 pm
Ar. Flor.	9:05 am	7:30 pm	4:30 am
Ar. Col'bia	12:25 pm	11:10 pm	am
Ar. Ch'st'n	1:10 pm	11:37 pm	7:30 am
Ar. Sav'n'	6:55 pm	2:45 am	9:54 am
Ar. J'k'ville		9:00 am	2:20 pm
Ar. Tampa		7:15 pm	11:00 pm

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa	9:00 pm	10:20 am
Lv. Jacksonville	9:30 am	7:35 pm
Ar. Savannah	1:41 pm	11:59 am
Lv. Charleston	6:12 pm	5:20 am
Lv. Columbia	4:30 pm	6:00 am
Ar. Florence	7:34 pm	8:55 am
Ar. Wilmington	1:10 am	1:20 pm

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	Westbound. Daily.	Eastbound. Daily.
Lv. Wilmington	8:40 am	Ar. 8:15 pm
Lv. Fayetteville	12:10 pm	Ar. 4:55 pm
Ar. Sanford	1:40 pm	Lv. 3:40 pm

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Ar. Newbern	7:00 pm	Lv. 9:25 am

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No. 44 will arrive at Wilmington 12:35 A. M. instead of 1:25 A. M. as now. No. 40 will arrive 1:30 P. M. instead of 2:20 as now.

No. 39 and 40 is run only as far as Hamlet, 44 and 45 through to Charlotte. No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 32 for Portsmouth-Norfolk, No. 84 for Washington, No. 41 for Charlotte and Atlanta, No. 43 for Columbia and Jacksonville.

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CORN—Firm, 80@82 1-2 per bushel for white; 78@80 for mixed.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams, 17c per pound; shoulders 12 1-2@13; sides dull, 12 1-2@13c.

EGGS—Dull at 25c. per dozen.

CHICKENS—Dull at 15@30c. for large springs; growns, firm, 30@35c.

BEESWAX—Firm at 24c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2@5c. per per pound.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2 per pound on foot.

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Howard B. Peck, 448 tons, Dodd, C. D. Maffitt.
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TAFT CATERS TO CORTELYOU.

He Must Also Win Over Hitchcock and Capers.

(Special Dispatch to Baltimore Sun.)

Washington, Jan. 1,—Secretary Taft's friends have gone very carefully over the delegate outlook and are inclined to believe that just as Secretary Cortelyou's friends controlled the balance of power in the National Committee at its meeting here in December, so are they likely to control the balance of power in the national convention at Chicago next June.

With that end in view all the energies of the Secretary of War are being bent toward placating not only Mr. Cortelyou, but also his loyal friends, Mr. Hitchcock and Mr. Capers, who have been engaged in the effort to make the South solid for Mr. Roosevelt, and another term.

Mr. Taft has a good chance of holding about 300 delegates from the States West of the Mississippi, but he has little prospect of getting delegates from the "favorite-son" States of New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, or from the New England, Middle or Eastern States. There is also great doubt about his ability to get any considerable support from the South, which he must have in order to win.

Here is the problem in figures: Delegates required to nominate, 491; Taft delegates in the West, 300; delegates needed by Taft, 191; delegates in the South from which these may be obtained, 266.

Efforts are being made to bring about better relations between Secretary Cortelyou, Assistant Postmaster-General Hitchcock and Commissioner of Internal Revenue Capers. All these officials were so bitterly attacked by Mr. Vorys, Secretary Taft's manager, that they were full of resentment. The attacks were also made by others and were carried to the White House, where Secretary Cortelyou was treated as "disloyal," Mr. Capers threatened with decapitation by the President, and Assistant Postmaster-General Hitchcock was humiliated by having his powers curtailed.

But the fact remains that not only was the South "fixed," but it is likely to remain "fixed" for the candidate who suits Messrs. Cortelyou, Capers and Hitchcock.

"SKELETON" DIES.

Famous Circus "Thin" Man a Victim of Fatty Degeneration.

(Special to The Philadelphia Press.)

Providence, Dec. 31.—Orrin H. Perry, 65 years old, for sixteen years the living skeleton in Barnum & Bailey's and the Forepaughs-Sells Bros.' circuses, died suddenly of fatty degenration of the heart in his bed in a lonely hut at Riverside Tuesday. All during his life Perry, whose stage name was Eugene Feralto, had been a showman. He was six feet, one inch tall, and weighed 80 pounds.

Despite his lack of beef, the living skeleton was possessed of considerable strength, and when younger lifted heavy weights with his teeth.

Watched Fifteen Years.

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MANY MILES WERE BUILT

Many Miles Were Built—Eastern Carolina Leads in Railroad Building During the Year Just Ended.

The last issue of the Manufacturer's Record contained an article showing the various lines of railroads constructed in the South during the year 1907, together with the lines which are planned for construction during the year 1908. According to these figures there was built in the North, during 1907, 264.5 miles of new railroad, while more than two hundred miles are planned for construction in 1908. In addition to that which the Record takes note of, considerable improvements were made on lines already constructed.

The Southern has done much work to improve its main line through the State, including double-tracking, building new bridges and trestles and lowering grades. New steel rails were put down on the road between Pomona and Winston-Salem. The Norfolk & Southern also put down new seventy-pound steel rails on a portion of the old Atlantic & North Carolina railroad from Goldsboro to Morehead City.

Items of Mileage.

The most important of the new roads built during the year are as follows:

Aberdeen & Ashboro, from Carthage to Pinehurst, 12 1-2 miles.

Mattamuskeet, Railway, South Lake to Englehard, 9 miles; to Pamlico Sound, 5 miles; to Fairfield, 12 miles; also from Fairfield to Belhaven and Washington.

Middle Carolina & Western, from Greenwood to Saluda, 29 miles.

Norfolk & Southern, from Cresswell to Columbia, 9 miles.

Pigeon River, from Sunburst to Canton, 16 miles. This road is already graded.

Raleigh & Western, extension of the line from Colon to Cumnock.

Randolph & Cumberland, Hallison to Deep River, 4 miles; also a possible extension from Deep River to Cheeks, 9 miles.

The South & Western expect to complete its line from Dante, in Russell county, Va., to connect with the Seaboard Air Line at Bostic, during this year. About three-fourths of the grading and tunneling through the Blue Ridge has already been completed.

The Southern will probably complete its line from Maryville, Tenn., to Bushnell, N. C., a distance of 65 miles of which seven miles were completed last year.

Washington & Vandemere, from Aurora to Vandemere, 11 miles.

A MEAN NEGRO JAILED

He Tried Several Times to Kill a Negro Woman But Each Time Failed

(Special to the Observer.)

Statesville, Jan. 1.—One of the meanest negroes this section has ever produced was captured Sunday morning by Deputy Sheriff Ward and lodged in jail. This notorious character is Ike Williams, who was wanted for many offenses and has been dodging the officers for about thirteen months.

Williams committed many of the offenses while seeking the life of Rose Tatum. He and Rose were old sweethearts but about a year ago they "fell out" and trouble resulted. Ike swore that he would kill Rose and one night last winter he assaulted her with a knife and cut an ugly wound on her throat. She ran inside a house and barred the doors. Ike smashed the windows and tried to tear down the doors with an axe. He finally left and gave Rose little trouble until one night last summer, when he broke into her room, gave her a scare and stole a pair of shoes. He left town and did not show up in Statesville until Wednesday. Thursday he spotted Rose riding in a buggy near town with another negro woman and he opened fire on her with a pistol. She and her companion ran to the Bostian home, west of town, and 'phoned for officers. Chief of Police Conner and Deputy Sheriff Ward responded, but failed to find Ike. He was spotted Sunday, however, in a house near town and Mr. Ward sent after him. When arrested he had a large pistol and a big bunch of keys, of all kinds and descriptions, on his person.

Tuesday afternoon Williams was tried before Justice W. R. Sloan on six of the charges against him and was returned to jail in default of bonds amounting to $600. He will be tried in a few days on a charge of entering a number of houses at Eufola and stealing goods.

WHITE HOUSE ROMANCE.

President's Roosevelt's Youngest Son Is Badly in Love.

(Special to the Danville Register)

Washington, Dec. 31.—A sequel to the White House romance which resulted in the mariage of the oldest daughter of the President, Alice, to Congressman Nicholas Longworth, of Ohio, is being enacted by Quentin, the youngest son of the Chief Executive of the United States, who has fallen in love with a Miss Colvin, daughter of Clinton R. Colvin, a mail carrier, of 1430 Rhode Island avenue, Washington.

Not long ago Quentin failed to return from school one day, and the secret service man known as the "nurse" was sent to find him, and located him at Miss Colvin's home.

On Christmas day the White House carriage stopped before the Colvin residence, and a liveried servant delivered a Christmas greeting from the youngest son of the President to his little sweetheart.

When Quentin departed from Pine Knot with his father he carried with him, in his inside pocket, the answer. It was a letter in the handwriting of Miss Colvin wishing him a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

KILLED BROTHER OFFICER

Slayer Also Admits Dishonoring Dead Man's Home.

Allenstein, East Prussia, Jan. 1.—Captain von Goeben, a distinguished officer in the artillery branch of the German Army, has caused a sensation by confessing that he killed Major von Schoenbeck, a brother officer who was shot dead Christmas. Van Goeben will be tried by court-martial, and if found guilty he will be shot in his own garrison.

Major von Schenbeck, returning home at a late hour Christmas night, heard some one descending the stairway from his wife's room. Drawing his revolver, he went to meet the intruder and tried to shoot him, but the revolver missed fire. Von Goeben then killed the Major and made his escape. He was subsequently arrested upon suspicion and confessed at the preliminary examination.

Captain von Goeben served formerly with the Macedonian gendarmerie and fought on the side of the Boers in the South African war.

The wife of Major von Schoenbeck has been arrested on the charge of complicity in the murder.

BEARS ARE PLENTIFUL

Hunters Get Five Dollars for Each Scalp They Take.

(Special to Charlotte Observer.)

Fayetteville, Jan. 1.—On Saturday J. M. Jessup, of Beaver Dam township, came to town with a bear scalp, claiming the $5 county reward; he also brought along a bear ham for his old friend, Col. C. W. Broadfoot, dean of the Fayetteville bar, who has a hankering after bear meat. Beaver Dam township was formerly a part of Bladen county, which ceded it to Cumberland after the civil war; and the black bear is so numerous and destructive in that section that a special act of the Legislature authorizes the county to pay $5 for every bear killed. It was in this township that John Russ, many years ago, had a fight with an immense old bear, in which he finally killed the animal, but was so terribly torn that he bore the marks of the fight till the day of his death. It was here also that Jim Averitt lived, the hero of the nightmare bear fight, which the writer told about in The Observer two or three months ago. Jim undoubtedly killed several bears in the surrounding swamps during his hunts.

FLOWERS CHEAP THIS YEAR

Prices Cut in Half Because of the Hard Times.

(New York Times.)

Florists are rather gloomy these days, and instead of amassing fortunes in this harvest time they are cutting the price of flowers. The traditional gift of New Year's is flowers or plants. This year the supply exceeds the demand, and in many cases radical underselling has been a boon to purchasers.

From $36 a dozen of a year ago American Beauty roses have dropped to $20 a dozen. The New Year's price on mauveorchids was $3 each one short year ago. Today the market price of the finest specimens is $1.50. Gardenias have dropped from $1.75 to $1 each. These are the prices of the Fifth Avenue florists.

Off the avenue the market is even more "slumpy." Flowers are one of the luxuries which are first cut off, and in every florist's shop in the city lack of business is felt. Instead of flowers many men are remembering the New Year's by means of telephone calls, actual visits, or cards of greeting.

THROWN FROM BED BY BOMB

Now Victim Wants To Find His Missing Son-in-Law.

(Special Dispatch to Baltimore Sun.)

New York, Jan. 1.—Hurled against the side of the two story frame building at 308 East One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, yesterday morning a bomb tore out the doors and windows on the first floor and endangered the lives of the occupants.

Joseph Rae has a store in the front on the first floor, and lives in the rear of the store with his married daughter, Mrs. Marie Bottisano, 19 years old. Several weeks ago Mrs. Bottisano separated from her husband and went to live with her father.

Rae and his daughter were sleeping shortly before 3 A. M. when the explosion occurred. Rae was thrown from his bed. The door of the woman's bedroom was blown from its hinges and fell upon her bed. She was cut on the head.

Rae asked the police to look for his son-in-law. Two weeks ago, he said, the latter called on him and threatened to shoot him or blow up the house. He kicked the man out of his place.

BOTTLE PLANTS TO RESUME

Work for 3,000 Blowers in Millville, (N. J.) Factories.

Millville, N. J., Jan. 1.—Three thousand glass bottle blowers have returned to work in the large plants here after a shutdown of 10 days. That there will be a stop in any of the local plants before July 1 is not probable, as the companies say they were never more rushed with orders than at present. Their only difficulty is in securing enough help.

The recent movements of both the Amalgamated Window-Glass Workers' Association and the Manufacturers' Association indicate that neither organization intends to sue for peace in the wage scale controversy. The conferences which have been held almost weekly are, by mutual agreement, at an end, and the factories will remain idle for months to come.

How is Your Digestion.

Mrs. Mary Dowling of No. 228 8th Ave., San Francisco, recommends a remedy for stomach trouble. She says: "Gratitude for the wonderful effect of Electric Bitters in a case of acute indigestion, prompts this testimonial. I am fully convinced that for stomach and liver troubles Electric Bitters is the best remedy on the market today." This great tonic and alternative medicine invigorates the system, purifies the blood and is especially helpful in all forms of female weakness. 50c. at R. R. Bellamy's drug store.

OFFICER GOING FOR JAMES.

Not Known at Manteo That He Really Has But One Wife.

(Special to Richmond Times-Dispatch)

Manteo, N. C., Dec. 31.—An officer will leave here tomorrow morning for Staunton, Va., to bring back to this State, C. H. James, the school teacher, who is wanted here for abduction.

James is a native of Pitt county, this State. At intervals he has circulated in Eastern North Carolina, teaching from place to place for the last few years. During the years 1904 and 1905 he conducted a school at Atlantic, N. C., where he married a Miss Hamilton. She is still living. During the summer of 1906 James conducted a school in this town wherein Miss Lily Midgett, the young woman with whom he was located in Virginia, was a student. His elopement with her took place during last July, and he is supposed to have been since that time in Virginia, and naturally living under an assumed name. The report that James has a multiplicity of wives does not seem to be confirmed here. It is known that he has one dead and one living. James seems to have been subject to periodical sprees, bringing wild nervousness, resulting in total collapse.

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TO THE BEACH
Suburban Schedule

(In Effect Sunday, Oct. 13th, 1907.)
Daily Except Sunday.

Wilmington Eastbound	LEAVE Wrightsville Westbound	Beach Westbound
7:00 A M	6:25 A M	
7:30 A M	7:55 A M	7:45 A M
8:30 A M	8:25 A M	8:15 A M
10:00 A M	9:25 A M	9:15 A M
11:30 A M	10:55 A M	10:45 A M
1:00 P M	12:25 P M	12:15 P M
2:30 P M	1:55 P M	1:45 P M
3:00 P M	3:25 P M	3:15 P M
4:00 P M	4:25 P M	4:15 P M
5:30 P M	5:25 P M	5:15 P M
6:15 P M	6:25 P M	6:15 P M
7:00 P M	7:25 P M	7:15 P M
8:00 P M	7:55 P M	7:45 P M
9:30 P M	8:55 P M	8:45P M
11:00 P M	10:25 P M	10:15 P M
	11:25 P M	

Freight Schedule

Leave Wilmington 4:00 P. M. (daily except Sunday).

Freight received at Ninth and Orange from 3 to 4 P. M.

CAROLINA PLACE SCHEDULE

Cars will be operated between Front and Princess and Seventeenth and Market every 20 minutes. Leaving Front and Princess at 6:55 A. M. until 9:55 P. M.

Leaving Seventeenth and Market from 7:05 A. M. until 10:05 P. M. All Suburban cars will make regular stops at Delgado.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE.

Wilmington Eastbound	LEAVE Wrightsville Westbound	Beach Westbound
9:00 A M		
10:00 A M	9:55 A M	9:45 A M
11:30 A M	10:55 A M	10:45 A M
1:00 P M	12:25 P M	12:15 P M
2:30 P M	1:55 P M	1:45 P M
3:00 P M	3:25 P M	3:15 P M
4:00 P M	4:25 P M	4:15 P M
5:30 P M	5:25 P M	5:15 P M
6:15 P M	6:25 P M	6:15 P M
7:00 P M	7:25 P M	7:15 P M
8:00 P M	7:55 P M	7:15 P M
9:30 P M	8:55 P M	8:45 P M
11:00 P M	10:25 P M	10:15 P M
	11:25 P M	

Carolina Place Schedule. (Sundays)

Leave Front and Princess streets every 20 minutes from 8:35 A. M. to 9:55 P. M.

Leave 17th and Market streets every 20 minutes from 8:45 A. M. to 10:05 P. M.

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ATTELL FAILED TO DOWN MORAN

Featherweight Contest For The Championship of The World Lasted For 25 Rounds.

BLACK EYE AND BLOODY NOSE

Attell Struck Moran Several Times After the Gong Rang and Was Repeatedly Hissed by the Crowd—Big Crowd.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

San Francisco, Jan. 1.—Owen Moran champion feather weight of England today fought 25 rounds to a draw with Abe Attell, champion of America.

Moran was strong and aggressive, quick as a flash, and kept after Attell all the time. Attell had plenty of opportunity to show his cleverness in keeping away from the rush of the Briton.

Attell seemed to lack force in his punches and found it difficult to land a blow on a vital spot. Moran's eye was blackened and his nose bled; but the punishing blows to the stomach and the swings to the jaw were missing Moran's game was to lead with either right or left, and then close in. In the clinches he fought viciously but did not do Attell any harm.

The fight up to the thirteenth was practically even.

In the fourteenth round Attell warned Moran for holding, while Jeffries pried the fighters apart. Attell struck Moran several times after the gong rang and was repeatedly hissed by the crowd. He was reprimanded by the referee as he took his seat.

Attell had a good lead in the eighteenth round and landed some damaging face and body blows, particularly a right jolt over the heart, early in the round. Attel with a stinging left to Moran's nose started the blood in the latter part of the twentyieth round.

The final round was most exciting. The men shook hands and rushed to close quarters, Moran rocking Attell's head with a short arm right jolt to the jaw. They wrestled and then Moran whipped in, pushing right to the body. They fought viciously at close range, both landing telling rights to the head. The referee parted the men with difficulty.

Attell then shot a wicked left to the face and they mixed it, wristling and punching wildly. Moran forced his man to cover in a last desperate rally, but could not put Attel out. When the gong rang for the close, both men kept on fighting fiercely. Referee Jeffries had to separate them.

Jefferies' decision was received with approval.

There came near being no fight owing to the fact that Moran was two ounces over weight. Attell had to be paid $250 for the surplus two ounces, before he would consent to go on.

Moran's manager stated that the Briton had found it extremely difficult to get down to weight and at 11 o'clock this morning was compelled to do two miles of vigorous road work.

While interest, the contest was not particularly exciting and did not come up to the standard of a championship battle, between 7,000 and 8,000 witnessed the contest.

Referee Jeffries said that the fight was so close that he found it impossible to give a dicision in favor of either man. He thought that Attell had slightly the better of it on points, but not sufficiently to justify a decision in his favor.

The betting was 100 to 60 on Attell.

CONVERTER EXPLOSION.

Kills Two and Seriously Injures Thirteen Workmen at Pittsburg.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Pittsburg, Jan. 1.—Two men were killed and thirteen injured by an explosion in Converter No. 3 of the Edgar Thomson plant of the United States Steel Company at North Braddock about sexen miles east of here today.

The dead are: Paul Kurisck, aged 30 years, Braddock and Stephen Doviah, aged 35 years, Braddock.

Six of the injured were Americans and the others Slaves. All were removed to a hospital in this city.

No official statement on the cause of the explosion has been injured but old converter mill men say the cause could hardly be other than some of molten metal sifted through the soapstone lining of the converter and came in contact with the steel sheathing which perhaps was damp.

When the explosion occurred, the bottom of the converter dropped out, throwing 15 tons of molten metal into the pit where 15 men were working at the ladles. When the hot mass of steel struck the bottom of the pit flames of burning gas were sent up, which burned the men in the pit. The two men who were killed had been working under the converter and their bodies were terribly mangled.

The force of the explosion blew the sheet iron room off of the converting mill and caused two of the walls to collapse.

Al H. Spink, editor of the Daily World, author of the "Derby Winner" and several other plays and formerly a sporting writer of national reputation, was shot and perhaps fatally, Tuesday night by Victor Groves, an employee, at St. Louis, following an altercation with William Spink, the editor's son. Mr. Spink was rushing to the scene of the quarrel, when Groves drew a revolver and fired two shots, one of them entering the editor's left shoulder and penetrating his lung.

A woman's idea of a smart man is one who always agrees with her.

INJUCTION IS REFUSED

Judge W. P. Newman Would Not Prevent Prohibition Going Into Effect Pending Litigation In State of Georgia.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 1.—The most notable feature of the first day of Prohibition in Georgia was the refusal of Judge W. P. Newman, in the United States Circuit Court, to grant an injunction pending litigation, which would prevent the putting into effect of the Prohibition law.

Papers in the case were filed late Tuesday on behalf of two breweries, one in Chattanooga and the other in Cincinnati. Judge Newman simply filed a memorandum reading as follows:

"After careful consideration an injunction will not be granted. This being true it is unnecessary to call on the defendants to show cause."

The lawyers for the plaintiffs in the case told the Associated Press tonight that the decision of Judge Newman did not have the effect of throwing the proceedings out of court but that the case would come up in the regular order of business, and it was expected that it would be ready for trial in about two months. In the meantime Prohibition is in effect in every district of Georgia.

Notwithstanding predictions that the enforcement of the law on the first day of the new year, which is a recognized holiday in all parts of the State, would bring about a disturbance, there was not the slightest disorder.

The saloon men in Atlanta evidently believe that the legal aspect of the situation will not have the effect of putting them back into business for they were busy today ripping out fixtures and carting their goods to storehouses, or to railroads for shipment to States where liquor is allowed to be sold.

Under the law the defendants in the action against the Prohibition bill have until March, in which to demur or file an answer. This leaves the whole matter in abeyance until that time.

EMANCIPATION DAY.

Ten Thousand Negroes Endorse Mr. Taft and Denounces Lily Whites.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 1,—Ten thousand negroes today celebrated Emancipation Day and adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That we, the colored people of Mobile, Ala., pledge our continnual allegiance to the fearless leader and faithful champion of the third term movement in the person of the Hon. Frank H. Hitchcock, First Assistant Postmaster General. And we consider Secretary of War Taft fortunate in securing such a man as Mr. Hitchcock to manage his interests in the Southern States. We will now feel much more friendly in the future to the Taft movement than we have in the past.

"Resolved, Whereas, we have heard that within the last few days an effort has been made to recognize individuals connected with the former Lily White movement with a view of reviving the Lily White party in Alabama, we do enter our most solemn protest against any individual or individuals or organization that will in any degree give aid or comfort to the Lily White party in this State and,

"Further resolved, That we will inform our brothers in the Northern States, as soon as we know of any Presidential candidate recognizing the Lily White movement in the South so that both in the primary election and in the vote for President, they may cast their votes and their influence against any candidate who recognizes the Lily White party."

BROOKLYN WAS BLOODY.

New Years Day Was a Record Breaker for All Sorts of Crime.

(By Wire to the Morning Star.)

New York, Jan. 1.—The long record of killings, assaults, acidents and minor crimes, written in the Brooklyn police blotters today was even more than in larger Manhattan. The police had scores of assault cases in both boroughs.

Gas escaping from a partly open burner asphyxiated Jacob Spriesterback and his wife in their home in Ocean Parkway, Brooklyn. An unknown burglar was shot down and killed while trying to enter David Jaffo's store on Meserole street. The police are hunting for Frank Fereso, who shot and killed Michael Schindello as an outcome of an altercation in Carroll street.

Hattie Shubert took umbrage at a remark made by her husband, Max Shubert, in their home on Ocean Parkway and stabbed him with a knife.

After a quarrel with his wife as to the manner of celebrating New Year's Archibald P. Mitchell, who several years ago married Augusta Herne, a daughter of a wealthy West Virginia politician, took his life early today by inhaling illuminating gas in his home on West Seventy-First street, Manhattan. Mitchell was recently engaged in the manufacture of cigarettes.

Seven Years of Proof.

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BOWED GRAVELY TO AMBASSADORS

Then Stooping Low He Shook The Hands of Dolls Carried By The Children.

THE PRESIDENT ENJOYED IT

Annual New Year's Reception at the White House Was Attended by All the High Officials and Society Ladies.

(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Washington, Jan. 1.—President Roosevelt received at the White House today for the seventh time a New Year's throng of well wishers which was three hours in passing his hand. Mrs. Roosevelt and the members and ladies of the Cabinet were his assistants.

Though curtailed in number, 5,645, by more than a thousand over the preceeding New Year's day, the reception was resplendant in all the incidents of tradition which have accumulated to its interest for more than a hundred years.

The gorgeousness of the diplomatic and militant features, the cordiality of the many personal friends of the President, who made this their seventh annual greeting as such, and the intensely human and patriotic characteristics of the American people, typified by the thousands who represented them today, all combined to make a happy conclusion to the historic event.

From greeting in stately dignity and appropriate surroundings the Ambassadors and Ministers of the Nations of the world, to stooping far down to grasp the hand of "Dolly" that its toddling parent of a year and a half might be gratified, were the extremes required of the President and both the infant and diplomat realized an anticipated pleasure. And the President enjoyed it all.

The setting—the historic White House—and the picturesque and entertaining accessories were amply sufficient to enthuse the holiday exhileration. There were other interesting phases beside the scenic beauty and Presidential cordiality, which constituted the feast to the public.

The presence of men whose names are daily in the public prints as Presidential aspirants, lent interest to more subtle observations. The Vice President, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Secretary Cortelyou, Senator LaFollette, all of whom had pleasing things said to them in the big East room, where the distinguished guests gathered to chat after passing through the historic blue parlor and making their bow to the receiving party.

Then there was Amiral Brownson whose recent differences with the President, led to his resignation as Chief of the Bureau of Navigation. He came late, but hurried through the lobby and corridor and reached the President near the head of the gorgeously uniformed naval line.

The President greeted cordially. The Admiral received many hearty hand clasps from brother officers of the line of the navy. Admiral Rixey also was in the naval contingent.

The arrangement of the programme, based on previous years, gave two hours for the official part of the reception. Owing to the lesser number from Congress, from the Corps of Army Officers and Government officials, the public was admitted a half hour before 1 o'clock, and stepping to quick music by the marine band the line crowded through the receiving room for eighty seven minutes.

Baron Edmondo Mayor des Planches, the Italian ambassador, as Dean of the Diplomatic corps had the honor of leading that corps. Brigadier General J. Franklin Bell, Chief of Staff, led the Army and Admiral Dewey the Navy.

Secretary and Mrs. Root left the reception shortly after the diplomats passed along the line so as to be at their own home in time to receive them.

The niceties of diplomatic etiquette were religiously observed in the conduct of that part of the reception, which has grown during the past hundred years and more to partake largely of the nature of an official function. In this way, but without appearance of pre-arrangement, the President greeted first, the Vice President and the members of his Cabinet, then each foreign nation represented in the person of Ambassador or Minister; the Judiciary, through the personnel of the Supreme Court bench and the Judges of the local Federal and District Courts; Senators and Representatives in Congress; officers of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Militia of the District of Columbia; heads of Government Bureaus and members of Government Commissions; organizations of Veterans, including the Society of the Cincinnati; Aztec Club, of 1874; Associated Veterans of the War 1846-47; Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States; Grand Army of the Republic; Medal of Honor Legion; Union Veteran Legion; Union Veterans Union; Society of the Army of Santiago; Spanish War Veterans; Army and Navy Union; Minute Men; Sons of the American Revolution and Oldest Inhabitants Association of the District of Columbia.

And then the public. Gathering in a constantly lengthenning line at the west gate to the White House grounds the people had stood since 9 o'clock in the morning.

Numerous changes in the diplomatic corps have occurred during the year so that for quite a number of the foreign representatives in Washington, it was their first New Year experience, at the White House. Death, the rotation in office, followed by some foreign nations with the members of their diplomatic corps, and the vicissitudes of political life were responsible for the absence of familiar and the presence of new faces. Of those who attended last year's reception the most notable absentee today was Viscount Aoki, the Japanese Ambassador, now returning to Japan and that nation was reresented by the members of the Embassy staff headed by Baron Tsunejiro Mikaoka the counselor. The familiar figures of Chekib Bey, the former Turkish minister, also was missing, having been succeeded Mahomed Ali Bey. China likewise changed her minister during the year, Sir Chentung Liang Cheng having been recalled and the former minister, Wu Ting Fang, having succeeded to the position. The latter, however, has not yet arrived and Mr. Chow Tszchi, the first secretary headed the legationers. Mr. C. Hauge, the minister from Norway died on December 12th and in his stead was Mr. O. Skybak, the Secretary of Legation and Charge d'affaires.

The diplomats who were making their first appearance at a new year function at the White House included Ambassador Bryce, of Great Britain; Senor Don Ramon Pina, the Spanish minister and L. A. Coromilas, the minister Resident from Greece. Although appointed Ambassador from Mexico a year ago, Senor Creel had not presented his credentials to the President at that time, so that today was his first appearance at a New Year's function in his official capacity. Senor Don Anibal Cruz, the Minister from Cile also was present for the first time today and this applied alike to Minister Mejia of Salvador and Minister Ugarte of Honduras.

Three members of the recent Central American peace conference who still remain in the city were specially invited guests, including Senor Don Policarpo Bonilla, ex-President of Honduras; Senor Don E. Constantino Fialles, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Honduras and Senor Dr. Don Joss Madriz, of Nicaragua, Secretary to the conference. W. W. Rockhill, United States Minister to China, also was in attendance. Assistant Secretaries Bacon, Adee and Wilson occupied themselves actively in entertaining the diplomats.

There was a good representation from the Army and Navy and Marine Corps, all the officers on the active list and many who have been retired, paying their respect to the President. Those on active duty were in full dress uniform, lending color to the already brilliant spectacle presented by the diplomatic corps in the full insignita of their rank. Among the prominent retired Army officers were Lieutenant General Bates and Corbin, while general officers on active duty included Major General Bell, Duval and Ainsworth. Admiral Dewey head the Naval contingent and was heartily greeted by the President.

Behind the high officers of the Army, Navy and the marine corps came those of lesser rank until all had paid their respects to the Chief Magistrate and Mrs. Roosevelt.

President Roosevel took occasion in his New Year's greeting to Dr. Starr, who has just celebrated his 100th birthday anniversary to congratulate the veteran member of the Oldest Inhabitants Association and wish him many returns of the day.

"You, Sir, have seen the growth of this Republic," said the President as he recognized Dr. Starr and recalled his previous New Year's visits.

Dr. Starr made an earnest reply whereupon the President remarked:

"Any word from you, Sir, will receive instant consideration."

The costumes of Mrs. Roosevelt and the ladies of the cabinet were strikingly handsome and the blends of colors and contrasts particularly impressive. Mrs. Roosevelt was gowned in old blue marquiette, the skirt very full with an arrangement of velvet ribbon on bow-knots and garlands making a trimming which reached half way up the belt. A yoke of lace and half sleeves of ruffled lace were the finishing touches. She wore a diamond necklace and other ornaments and carried a bouquet of white roses.

Mrs. Fairbanks had on a flowered crepe de chene, very full and fluffy, the design being a pattern of pink roses over white.

Mrs. Root wore a becomingly designed costume of pale gray chiffon with deep border of gray lace about the hem.

Mrs. Cortelyou wore an elegant white sabin. with broad folds around the skirt, the bodice nearly all lace.

Mrs. Meyer was in black and white striped lace over white, trimmed with touches of black velvet.

Mrs. Garfield had on a handsome gown of dark plum velvet, effectively trimmed in lace.

Mrs. Bonaparte wore a splendid mouve sabin, the coat with long skirts of Irish crochet lace.

Mrs. Metcalf had on a most becoming gown of Irish crochet and other laces.

Mrs. Straus wore a shrimp pink liberty sabin, trimmed in lace.

Mrs. Loeb was costumed in an orchid liberty sabin and white lace.

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(By Wire to The Morning Star.)

Gadsden, Ala., Jan. 1.—Captain W. P. Lay was today appointed receiver for the Quinn Furnace Company, the appointment being made at the instigation of local creditors whose claims amount to between $6,000 and $7,000.

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